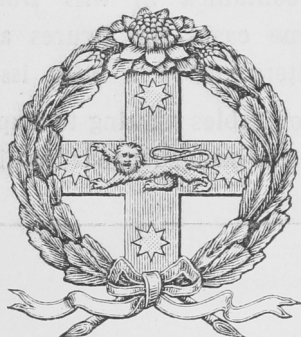


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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The Oversea imports during March were valued at £1,867,795, and show a decrease of £713,403, or 27·6 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total for eight months, July to March, 1917-18, was £22,382,414 a decrease of £4,362,507, or 16·3 per cent., in comparison with the corresponding period in 1916-17.

Imports at Sydney.—Excluding the value of the imports from State ports, the articles imported at the port of Sydney, in March, were valued at £3,211,767. The following is a summary of the imports during the month :—

	Weight and Measurement.	Value.
	tons.	£
Imports Oversea	67,011	1,836,222
„ Interstate	45,687	1,375,545
„ From State ports	137,573	Not available.
Transhipments—		
Oversea... ..	21,386	„
Interstate	12,131	„
To State ports	3,097	„

A few special articles, denoted by number in the detailed table within, have been converted into weight or measurement, and are included in the above statement. During the nine months ended March, 1918, the oversea imports were valued at £21,990,926, and the interstate imports at £11,416,223, the total of the two being £33,407,149.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for March show that the net revenue for the month was £1,656,722, or £101,866 less than in March of last year—a decrease of 5·8 per cent. During the nine months ended 31st March, the revenue was £13,833,224, being £206,598, or 1·5 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Principal increases during the nine months were—	£
From Public Lands	84,161
Railways and Tramways	125,360
Sydney Harbour Trust	43,185

Principal decreases during the same period were—	
From Commonwealth Returns	6,039
Water and Sewerage Rates	32,067
Taxation	1,544
Forestry Revenue... ..	3,563

The expenditure during March was £1,781,883, a decrease of £546,945, or 23·5 per cent., as compared with March of last year. During the nine months ended 31st March, the expenditure was £15,101,133, being £274,007, or 1·8 per cent. less than in 1916-17.

Principal increase during the nine months was—	£
Government Departments	170,067
Principal decreases during the same period were—	
Business Undertakings	124,289
Interest Repayments	319,785

On the 31st March, 1918, the Consolidated Revenue Account was in debit to the amount of £2,282,474.

Banks.—The principal features disclosed by the banking averages for the quarter ended 31st March are a substantial increase in deposits, both interest bearing and current accounts, and a corresponding increase in the advances made. Compared with the corresponding period of last year, there was a decrease of £5,119,301 in current accounts, and in deposits as a whole of £2,494,998, the figures being inclusive of Savings Bank deposits—interest bearing—of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. Reserves of coin and bullion exhibit a decrease of £198,129 during the year, and of £434,383 on the quarter's transactions. Advances increased by £5,858,943 during the year, and during the quarter by £3,031,765. The proportion of cash, bullion, and notes, to total liabilities now stands at 26·7 per cent., as compared with 26·9 per cent. in March last year. Included in the cash held is an amount of £10,396,798 Australian notes, as against £11,040,018 for the previous year.

Savings Banks.—In the two institutions operating in New South Wales there were 892,033 depositors, having £41,132,275 on deposit at the end of 1917. The deposits show a decrease during the quarter of £155,536. The average amount to the credit of each depositor was £46 2s. 3d., which is 9s. 10d. per head less than at the end of the previous quarter.

Mineral Production, 1917.—The value of minerals won in New South Wales during 1917 was equal to £12,564,473, there being a net increase of £2,048,617 on the value for 1916. To the total, gold contributed £349,038; silver and silver-lead, £4,493,565; coal, £4,422,740; copper, £814,154; and tin, £373,696. The aggregate value of all minerals won up to the end of 1917 is estimated at £285,718,657.

The gold yield during March, 1918, was 7,528 oz. crude, equal to 7,125 oz. fine, valued at £30,265, and showed a decrease of 2,497 oz. fine, and £10,606 in value, compared with March of last year. The value of the gold produced during the three months was £83,486, and showed a decrease of 2,826 oz. fine, and £12,003 in value, in the figures for the corresponding period of last year.

Cost of Living, Sydney.—From the information collected each month (see Table 54, as to the retail prices in Sydney of food and groceries), it appears that in March, 1918, prices were 36·2 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; 1·4 per cent. higher than in March, 1917; and 1·0 per cent. lower than in the preceding month, February, 1918.

Meat, which is included in the results quoted above, shows prices in March, 1918, 70·8 per cent. higher than in July, 1914; the same as in March, 1917; and 5·0 per cent. lower than in February, 1918. Prices of beef and mutton fell about a half-penny per pound; pork prices remained unaltered. There were advances in the prices of bacon, ham, eggs, oatmeal, starch, blue, and kerosene; butter showed a slight decline.

The following is a statement of the price levels since July, 1914, the levels for which were taken as base, and called 100 :—

Month	Meat.	Other Food and Groceries.	Meat, other Food and Groceries combined.
July, 1914	100	100	100
March, 1915	107·3	105·2	105·7
March, 1916	167·2	118·8	131·3
March, 1917	170·8	121·6	134·3
October „	189·5	123·5	140·5
November „	181·5	122·5	137·7
December „	174·8	122·3	135·9
January, 1918	180·4	122·2	137·2
February „	179·9	122·9	137·6
March „	170·8	124·2	136·2

Land Selections.—During March, 88 applications were made for 65,836 acres under the Crown Lands Act ; and 140,026 acres, representing 103 blocks, were gazetted for residential settlement, which include areas set apart for returned soldiers. Since the beginning of the year the number of applications has been 212, and the area applied for 124,120 acres. The original area gazetted for residential settlement since the 1st January is 232,194 acres, representing 202 blocks.

Meteorology.—The rainfall during March was below the normal over two-thirds of the State, the average being exceeded only in the far southern districts and at scattered places in the Western Division. High pressure influences operated against satisfactory rains during the latter part of the month. The highest totals recorded were :—Bellingen Heads, 1,031 ; Kiandra, 596 ; Byron Bay, 579 ; and Port Macquarie, 548 points.

The temperature, generally speaking, was mild to warm during the day and cool to cold at night, although at several stations in the Western Division the readings reached over 100 degrees, notably at Bourke and White Cliffs, each 107 degrees, and Cobar and Wilcannia, each 102 degrees.

Vital Statistics — Sydney and Suburbs — March, 1918.—The births registered numbered 1,484, equal to 22·91 per 1,000 of population ; of the total, 771 were males and 713 females. The rate is unsatisfactory, as it is 21 per cent. below the average of the previous five years.

The deaths numbered 485, namely, 264 males and 221 females, equal to a rate of 7·49 per 1,000 of population. The mortality rate is very satisfactory, being 26 per cent. below the average of the previous five years. The deaths were below the average in all age-groups.

The infantile mortality was 56·6 per 1,000 births, being 18 per cent. below the average for the month of March for the previous five years.

New Buildings—Metropolis.—According to returns supplied by the several Town Clerks, there were erected, in the Metropolitan area, during March, 453 new buildings, as compared with 532 in March, 1917.

The total for the three months, January to March, was 1,203, as compared with 1,312 during the corresponding period of 1917.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1906	779,666	718,943	1,498,609	29,456	2'00	1,484,600
1907	795,635	736,345	1,531,980	33,371	2'23	1,517,900
1908	809,240	750,786	1,560,026	28,046	1'83	1,545,700
1909	829,329	767,356	1,596,685	36,659	2'35	1,577,200
1910	852,680	785,540	1,638,220	41,535	2'60	1,616,200
1911	889,391	809,345	1,698,736*	62,240*	3'80	1,664,500*
1912	935,979	842,983	1,778,962	80,226	4'72	1,738,600
1913	962,749	869,707	1,832,456	53,494	3'01	1,809,400
1914	967,033	894,995	1,862,028	29,572	1'61	1,853,400
1915	953,162	917,253	1,870,415	8,387	'45	1,868,200
1916	923,113	934,807	1,857,920	(-)12,495	(-) '67	1,866,300
1917—31st March	921,954	939,788	1,861,752	...	...	...
„ 30th June	921,566	945,890	1,867,456	...	...	...
„ 30th September	925,493	9.9,852	1,875,345	...	...	...

The population includes Aborigines of full-blood, viz., 2,012, of whom 1,152 are males and 860 females.

* The population since 1st January, 1911, is exclusive of Federal Capital Area, the population of which at the Census on 2nd April was 1,724, of whom 997 were males and 727 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
				Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1905	39,501	14,978	10,970	27'15	10'30	7'54	80'55
1906	40,948	14,975	11,551	27'58	10'09	7'78	74'53
1907	42,195	16,410	12,189	27'80	10'81	8'03	88'04
1908	42,525	16,090	12,642	27'51	10'41	8'18	75'79
1909	43,769	15,840	13,048	27'75	10'04	8'27	74'28
1910	45,533	16,191	14,294	28'17	10'02	8'85	74'61
1911	47,677	17,179	15,267	28'64	10'32	9'17	69'49
1912	51,993	18,886	16,664	20'90	10'86	9'58	71'30
1913	52,134	19,732	16,311	28'81	10'91	9'01	78'34
1914	53,615	18,777	17,353	28'93	10'13	9'36	69'72
1915	52,885	19,610	18,129	28'31	10'50	9'70	68'13
1916	52,075	19,854	16,320	27'90	10'64	8'74	67'84
1917	52,467	17,969	13,261	...	...	...	57'56
Oct. to Dec., 1917	12,211	4,172	3,630	...	...	...	58'38
„ „ 1916	12,822	4,636	3,867	27'43	9'94	8'29	61'79

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1906	50,257	29,208	75,352	38,518	193,335	47,797	27,624	75,658	38,773	189,852
1907	65,684	35,441	93,152	47,061	241,338	59,731	31,017	95,323	47,681	233,752
1908	66,156	35,433	94,885	48,685	245,159	60,474	33,047	99,282	50,745	243,548
1909	69,330	36,580	96,069	48,130	250,509	59,729	32,775	98,878	50,397	241,779
1910	72,421	39,104	108,870	54,821	275,216	62,093	34,421	109,941	56,568	263,023
1911	92,269	49,398	132,988	65,470	340,125	71,308	39,987	130,745	66,343	308,383
1912	106,187	57,601	147,629	73,980	385,397	81,722	43,288	141,032	72,236	338,278
1913	92,925	53,824	156,536	77,905	381,190	81,087	44,097	156,695	78,219	300,098
1914	91,413	51,730	167,833	89,183	400,159	98,626	47,311	172,769	86,719	403,425
1915	70,586	39,512	181,874	94,081	386,053	104,215	36,979	177,764	91,983	410,941
1916	58,913	36,198	197,954	105,076	398,141	112,469	36,652	189,561	104,175	442,857
Jan. to Sept., 1917	37,398	21,801	127,008	72,552	258,759	49,739	20,140	124,976	72,938	267,793
„ 1916	46,833	28,907	141,207	77,926	294,873	83,236	27,905	141,100	77,116	329,357
July to Sept., 1917	9,492	3,818	37,153	17,314	67,777	11,123	3,231	35,860	18,745	68,959
„ 1916	13,025	7,639	41,197	21,810	83,671	21,765	7,539	40,029	20,427	89,760

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	113,870	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,335
1907	140,213	58,734	8,464	21,588	12,339	241,338
1908	143,570	56,582	10,537	20,612	13,858	245,159
1909	144,199	55,285	15,057	23,040	12,928	250,509
1910	163,691	58,146	16,537	22,410	14,432	275,216
1911	198,458	71,262	24,217	27,008	19,180	340,125
1912	221,609	75,872	36,925	26,696	24,295	385,397
1913	234,441	71,490	30,318	23,284	21,657	381,190
1914	257,016	75,875	19,936	25,290	22,042	400,159
1915	275,955	65,736	7,299	18,037	19,026	386,053
1916	303,030	55,423	2,721	15,065	21,902	398,141
Jan. to Sept., 1917	199,560	32,972	361	8,906	16,960	258,759
„ 1916	219,133	44,271	2,345	12,212	16,912	294,873
July to Sept., 1917	54,467	5,780	10	1,717	5,803	67,777
„ 1916	63,007	11,082	670	3,210	5,702	83,671

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	114,431	45,060	4,789	15,994	9,578	189,852
1907	143,004	53,333	5,176	21,201	11,038	233,752
1908	150,027	51,590	7,467	22,141	12,323	243,548
1909	149,275	54,756	6,766	17,812	13,170	241,779
1910	166,509	56,722	7,834	17,247	14,711	263,023
1911	197,088	66,922	8,837	18,593	16,943	308,383
1912	213,268	71,179	11,647	19,691	22,493	338,278
1913	234,914	68,923	13,002	20,767	22,492	360,098
1914	259,488	71,875	15,426	23,213	35,423	405,425
1915	269,747	58,811	6,506	17,927	57,950	410,941
1916	293,736	51,624	3,522	15,902	78,073	442,857
Jan. to Sept., 1917	197,914	30,140	3,346	7,025	29,368	267,793
„ 1916	218,216	40,223	3,280	11,734	55,904	329,357
July to Sept., 1917	54,605	4,042	911	1,375	8,026	68,959
„ 1916	60,456	9,825	1,235	3,269	14,975	89,760

No. 6.—Population—Metropolis.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Sydney (including Shipping).	Suburbs.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1907	112,000	465,180	577,180	17,380	3'10	568,500
1908	112,900	479,200	592,100	14,920	2'58	584,700
1909	120,660	485,240	605,900	13,800	2'33	599,000
1910	119,800	502,430	622,230	16,330	2'70	614,100
1911	118,800	538,000	656,800	34,570	5'56	639,500
1912	116,400	578,400	694,800	38,000	5'79	675,800
1913	115,900	609,500	725,400	30,600	4'40	710,100
1914	110,700	641,800	752,500	27,100	3'74	741,200
1915	104,200	658,800	763,000	10,500	1'31	757,750
1916	106,000	658,600	764,600	1,600	0'21	763,800
1917	106,000	671,300	777,300	12,700	1'66	771,000

NOTE.—The population of Ku-ring-gai Shire (14,820 on 31st December, 1917) is included above as from 1st January, 1911.

No. 7.—Vital Statistics—Metropolis.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
		Total.	Under one year.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1907	14,334	6,238	1,380	5,474	25'21	10'97	9'63	96'3
1908	14,861	6,036	1,229	5,974	25'42	10'32	10'22	82'7
1909	15,461	6,149	1,261	6,367	25'81	10'27	10'62	81'6
1910	16,204	6,365	1,329	6,931	26'39	10'36	11'29	82'0
1911	17,829	6,973	1,268	7,640	27'88	10'90	11'95	71'1
1912	20,140	7,681	1,530	8,923	29'80	11'37	13'20	76'0
1913	20,535	7,938	1,608	8,892	28'92	11'18	12'52	78'3
1914	20,821	7,603	1,452	9,479	28'09	10'26	12'79	69'7
1915	20,871	8,189	1,512	10,122	27'54	10'81	13'58	72'4
1916	20,856	8,156	1,428	9,009	27'31	10'66	11'80	68'5
1917	20,278	7,518	1,212	7,009	26'30	9'75	9'09	59'8
Jan.-Mar., 1918	4,734	1,633	311	.....	24'36	8'40	.....	65'7
„ 1917	5,235	1,824	338	1,686	27'16	9'48	8'76	64'6
March, 1918	1,484	485	84	.....	22'91	7'49	.....	56'6
„ 1917	1,783	578	91	540	27'72	9'00	8'40	51'0

No. 8.—Health of the Metropolis—March, 1918.

In calculating the averages for previous five years, due allowance has been made for increase in population.

Particulars.			March, 1918.	Average of March, for previous five years.	Causes of Death.	March, 1918.	Average of March, for previous five years.
Births	...	...	1,484	1,884	Cancer	59	65
Deaths	...	...	485	654	Developmental Diseases of Infants.	58	58
Illegitimate Births	...	...	100	121	Diseases of the Heart	48	63
Deaths under 1	...	...	84	130	Bright's Disease (Acute and Chronic).	39	38
„ 1-4	...	...	39	44	Pulmonary Diseases	28	45
„ 5-64	...	...	239	317	Diarrhœa and Enteritis	27	71
„ 65 and over	...	...	123	163	Phthisis	26	34
Annual Rates per 1,000 of Population—					Hæmorrhage of the Brain, &c	19	26
Births	...	...	22'91	29'09	Accident	17	29
Deaths	...	...	7'49	10'00	Epidemic Diseases	16	28
Illegitimate Births	...	...	1'54	1'87	Senility	10	26
Deaths under 1 per 1,000 Births	...	...	56'6	68'7			

No. 9.—Principal Causes of Death—1917 and 1916.

Causes of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.				
	1917.			1916.	1917.			1916.	
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	
General Diseases—									
Typhoid Fever	20	10	30	71	71	33	104	209	
Measles	8	6	14	14	14	10	30	73	
Scarlet Fever	5	4	9	39	14	16	30	108	
Whooping-cough	14	20	34	103	85	88	173	190	
Diphtheria and Croup	39	40	79	121	124	126	250	321	
Influenza	8	15	23	27	49	40	89	153	
Dysentery	1	1	2	6	11	6	17	36	
Other Epidemic Diseases...	18	3	21	22	31	19	50	43	
Purulent Infection, Septicæmia	6	6	12	21	38	15	53	52	
Tetanus	8	4	12	12	30	6	36	39	
Tuberculosis—Lungs	217	149	366	423	631	386	1,017	1,157	
Other Organs	31	28	59	70	71	58	129	133	
General	8	2	10	15	17	7	24	35	
Syphilis	29	11	40	24	43	13	56	35	
Cancer	348	402	750	706	774	717	1,491	1,468	
Rheumatism	14	27	41	50	47	67	114	130	
Diabetes	52	67	119	82	94	122	216	206	
Exophthalmic Goitre ... ..	...	13	13	5	1	20	21	15
Anæmia, Chlorosis	41	37	78	83	69	69	138	150	
Other General Diseases	52	26	78	71	136	54	190	196	
Local Diseases—									
Meningitis	32	14	46	61	75	40	115	148	
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	20	18	38	73	56	42	98	148	
Diseases of Spinal Cord	35	24	59	74	75	57	132	156	
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	149	164	313	327	377	333	710	755	
General Paralysis of Insane	48	6	54	63	69	8	77	91	
Convulsions of Infants	15	16	31	41	63	49	112	161	
Other Nervous Diseases	68	55	123	146	144	118	262	319	
Acute Endocarditis	39	13	52	62	61	25	86	124	
Organic Diseases of Heart	446	393	839	859	1,229	827	2,056	1,900	
Other Diseases Circulatory System	152	106	258	257	353	195	548	529	
Bronchitis	91	82	173	218	274	203	477	562	
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia... ..	282	186	468	591	652	411	1,063	1,417	
Other Diseases Respiratory System	76	55	131	112	181	118	299	274	
Diseases of Stomach	32	28	60	58	86	66	152	184	
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	198	152	350	425	427	314	741	1,075	
" (over 2)	48	45	93	112	150	118	268	323	
Appendicitis	40	19	59	54	78	57	135	140	
Hernia, Intestinal Obstruction	31	37	68	83	82	72	154	174	
Cirrhosis of Liver... ..	47	31	78	64	89	40	129	130	
Other Diseases Digestive System... ..	55	68	123	103	111	142	253	252	
Nephritis	326	207	533	517	624	363	987	976	
Other Diseases Urinary System	74	22	96	92	175	45	220	200	
Diseases of Genital Organs	2	44	46	45	4	74	78	83	
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	130	130	140	...	327	327	297
Diseases of Skin, &c.	13	16	29	38	45	49	94	112	
Diseases of Bones, &c.	8	7	15	6	13	13	26	17	
Congenital Malformations	48	36	84	88	122	88	210	206	
Diseases of Early Infancy	330	29	359	609	816	604	1,420	1,503	
Senility	176	190	366	368	619	490	1,109	1,311	
Violence—									
Suicide	52	24	76	94	134	39	173	213	
Accident	246	75	321	323	750	223	973	992	
Homicide	7	7	14	17	15	19	34	37	
Wounds in Battle ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Execution	2	...	2	...	2	...	2	2	
Not Classed (Open Verdict)	14	5	19	35	46	8	54	77	
Ill-defined Causes	12	10	22	35	112	55	167	216	
Total	4,133	3,385	7,518	8,156	10,459	7,510	17,969	19,854	

Approximate Mean Annual Death-rate per 1,000 of Population—

	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
1912-1916	10.84	..	..	..	10.60
1917	9.75	..	..	..	..

No. 10.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978
1908	17,814,260	19,828,486	37,642,746	14,105,050	26,880,709	40,985,759
1909	17,146,943	20,888,019	38,034,962	15,792,608	26,044,789	41,837,397
1910	*12,623,428	23,238,993	†	*10,307,115	32,035,451	†
1911	†	27,343,428	†	†	32,161,401	†
1912	†	32,303,630	†	†	32,958,529	†
1913	†	32,350,663	†	†	32,839,789	†
(Jan. to June) 1914	} †	16,677,336	†	†	15,738,313	†
1914-15	†	27,323,243	†	†	28,107,025	†
1915-16	†	33,379,698	†	†	40,975,416	†
1916-17	†	32,742,297	†	†	42,068,333	†

* Information, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Not available.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	(+) Increase. (-) Decrease in 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	2,897,361	3,284,693	2,814,485	2,871,984	2,310,222	(-) 561,762
August ..	2,660,299	2,919,146	3,532,624	3,254,124	1,300,343	(-) 1,953,781
September ...	3,080,492	2,088,007	2,486,149	3,054,850	1,982,610	(-) 1,072,240
October ...	2,638,289	2,202,579	3,245,746	3,416,811	2,936,604	(-) 480,207
November ...	2,427,923	2,248,877	2,245,324	3,116,342	3,173,277	(+) 56,935
December ...	3,220,290	2,145,654	2,342,661	2,815,803	2,545,297	(-) 269,506
January ...	2,497,902	2,360,881	2,525,756	3,412,759	3,344,645	(-) 68,114
February ...	2,510,873	2,070,512	2,728,772	2,221,050	2,920,621	(+) 699,571
March ...	3,637,388	2,309,687	2,814,847	2,581,198	1,867,795	(-) 713,403
Total (9 months)	25,570,817	21,630,036	24,736,364	26,744,921	22,382,414	(-) 4,362,507

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually.

Article.		1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottle...	gal	849,380	137,023	531,014	94,928	256,332	57,037
Bulk	"	98,159	8,642	13,390	1,299	175	17
Apparel and Attire ... ..	"	.....	802,082	.....	888,053	.....	981,342
Socks and Stockings ... ..	"	.....	342,932	.....	449,916	.....	425,160
Bags and Sacks—							
Bran, Chaff, &c. ... doz.	doz.	621,506	158,728	478,951	161,267	275,279	89,660
Corn and Flour	"	1,175,870	376,468	1,227,292	426,049	1,698,512	587,832
Woolpacks	No.	1,223,680	164,577	1,090,333	155,040	968,111	141,716
Other	doz.	72,814	16,067	52,875	12,018	58,626	15,057
Bags, Purses, N.E.I. ... ..	"	.....	77,166	.....	101,806	.....	110,975
Blankets, and Blanketing ... ..	"	.....	5,672	.....	55,598	.....	61,271
Books (Printed) &c. ... ..	"	.....	229,322	.....	223,267	.....	205,298
Boots and Shoes ... ..	"	.....	296,099	.....	170,350	.....	228,857
Bullion—							
Gold—Bar, Ingots, &c. oz.	oz.	76,013	290,692	121,010	489,193	49,699	198,454
Silver—Bar, Ingot, &c. oz.	oz.	9,002	991	495	53	3,539	496
Canvas and Duck ... ..	"	.....	123,498	.....	231,798	.....	212,911
Carpets and Carpeting ... ..	"	.....	140,706	.....	166,772	.....	168,422
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	cwt.	175,097	18,027	113,736	18,351	1,957	306
Clocks and Watches ... ..	"	.....	102,690	.....	156,507	.....	130,452
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	lb.	1,723,804	124,399	2,630,858	203,732	2,221,400	181,835
Confectionery, N.E.I. ... lb.	lb.	2,820,069	154,855	1,616,894	77,190	1,015,290	51,577
Copper—							
Pipes and Tubes (plain) cwt.	cwt.	6,119	29,056	2,948	18,432	1,807	14,600
Copra	cwt.	305,645	295,030	269,728	277,827	248,247	281,417
Cordage and Twines—							
Sewing Silks, &c. ... ..	"	.....	180,457	.....	199,561	.....	292,916
Cosies, Cushions, &c. ... ..	"	.....	36,067	.....	28,474	.....	41,475
Cutlery, N.E.I. ... ..	"	.....	119,763	.....	127,706	.....	135,987
Drugs and Chemicals—							
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	cwt.	14,533	93,771	28,846	207,460	8,672	51,206
Other ... ..	"	.....	147,766	.....	161,603	.....	192,590
Earthenware, &c. ... ..	"	.....	111,344	.....	111,620	.....	88,382
Electrical Articles—							
Cable and Wire covered cwt.	cwt.	29,666	137,979	42,882	190,946	27,974	192,222
Fancy Goods ... ..	"	.....	150,694	.....	161,330	.....	153,190
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	lb.	7,427,313	238,727	10,442,557	332,568	8,616,430	308,588
Floor Cloths and Coverings ..	"	.....	190,167	.....	167,455	.....	206,154
Fruits, Fresh—Apples cental	cental	56,535	59,733	64,560	70,716	44,173	55,844
Bananas	"	130,666	97,273	190,442	109,320	254,323	138,553
Other ... ..	"	.....	18,695	.....	23,222	11,490	17,731
Furniture ... ..	"	.....	70,441	.....	44,724	.....	25,936
Gloves ... ..	"	.....	78,600	.....	71,711	.....	97,747
Grain—Maize ... ..centals	centals	357,546	133,203	1,154,634	449,949	19,547	6,951
Oats	"	256,038	137,584	518,755	276,428	201	110
Rice	"	211,818	87,035	545,111	239,074	232,232	129,282
Hats and Caps ... ..	"	.....	197,164	.....	224,625	.....	151,111
Hessians ... ..	"	.....	172,885	.....	153,930	.....	172,198
Instruments—							
Kinematographs, &c. ... ..	"	.....	161,663	.....	178,507	.....	261,279
Pianos	No.	3,862	111,503	4,806	141,641	4,465	130,827
Parts ... ..	"	.....	18,070	.....	19,546	.....	31,628
Iron and Steel—							
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee cwt.	cwt.	617,364	273,818	580,650	331,143	474,982	422,261
Girders, Beams	"	238,426	80,865	140,792	76,037	75,348	58,165
Pig	"	157,004	27,253	147,620	34,497	64,379	20,435
Plate and Sheet—							
Galvanised	"	553,694	482,836	476,222	692,787	207,625	339,427
Not galvanised	"	281,034	113,618	289,949	161,305	170,064	131,743
Jewellery ... ..	"	.....	106,114	.....	88,892	.....	86,186
Precious stones, unset ... ..	"	.....	157,883	.....	154,521	.....	164,590
Leather ... ..	"	.....	152,803	.....	117,915	.....	213,840
Machines and Machinery—							
Agricultural ... ..	"	.....	208,664	.....	185,353	.....	229,760
Electrical ... ..	"	.....	386,487	.....	403,855	.....	410,570
Engines ... ..	"	.....	386,924	.....	164,700	.....	116,504
Mining ... ..	"	.....	29,652	.....	25,138	.....	23,234
Motive Power ... ..	"	.....	117,152	.....	81,558	.....	06,014

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually—*continued.*

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Machines and Machinery—		£		£		£
Sewing		72,423		103,565		109,004
Other		359,937		326,991		883,010
Matches		46,926		109,423		40,745
Medicines		192,546		208,818		251,954
Metals, Manufactures—						
Pipes and Tubes		291,524		379,474		299,080
Wire		244,950		256,697		173,831
Wire Netting		55,085		15,547		2,896
Miscellaneous		1,103,974		941,456		979,111
Oils in Bulk—						
Benzine gal.	2,938,909	151,304	5,132,998	274,284	5,168,196	388,026
Benzoline, &c.	1,462,435	79,509	1,669,396	90,566	1,516,901	110,694
Kerosene	6,758,234	176,265	8,112,145	196,680	6,050,952	166,569
Lubricating Mineral	1,724,118	89,560	2,785,117	150,481	2,683,720	158,955
Paints & Colours prep'd or use cwt.	20,372	46,576	22,075	55,268	15,460	42,876
Paper—Printing		370,893		427,668		728,682
Writing		90,564		129,896		207,358
Piece Goods—						
Cotton, Linen		1,631,126		2,047,194		2,534,328
Flannels		7,031		64,903		67,704
Horsehair Cloth		16,254		13,707		17,539
Rubbered Waterproof		16,937		15,381		12,794
Silk		648,807		706,967		704,941
Velvets, Velveteens		254,973		275,309		313,289
Woollens		808,476		1,138,104		1,296,101
N.E.I.		60,437		91,230		195,858
Other		66,801		83,992		103,257
Rails, Fish Plates, &c.		459,205		80,327		11,123
Rubber Manufactures		205,035		536,752		493,006
Specie—Bronze		2		Nil.		207
Gold		3,439		2,375		
Silver		123,069		4,784		26,910
Spirits—Brandy, bottled gal.	52,920	48,000	10,326	10,056	25,725	26,151
„ bulk	99,086	31,293	67,083	26,090	138,826	78,624
Gin—British	61,985	17,394	55,504	16,551	59,448	23,379
„ Hollands, Geneva	79,360	14,012	65,611	11,872	30,188½	9,454
„ Schnapps	64,383	22,954	99,698	36,024	68,673	26,649
Rum—Bottled	4,053	2,356	2,932	1,790	1,241	1,299
„ Bulk	127,678	23,003	72,650	15,777	27,982	10,097
Whisky—Bottled	72,236	40,255	66,895	41,853	25,176	21,062
„ Bulk	997,305	343,606	770,126	330,225	916,877	613,021
Stationery		142,381		139,995		180,883
Sugar—Cane cwt.	178,839	121,569	1,131,644	1,005,018	1,031,892	975,286
Tea lb.	18,692,523	709,289	20,419,659	913,285	19,373,545	859,117
Timber—						
Dressed N.E.I. ... sup. ft.	13,420,353	121,731	3,195,255	34,067	770,865	13,605
Logs not sawn	8,866,378	37,982	5,071,861	20,453	598,289	4,789
N.Z. White Pine	42,369,240	257,187	36,764,874	228,424	42,044,303	276,912
Undressed N.E.I.	105,084,796	663,197	77,193,799	561,546	73,527,824	600,641
Tobacco—						
Manufactured N.E.I. lb.	1,482,692	124,174	1,069,800	86,533	1,330,271	99,676
Unmanufactured	5,953,076	308,842	8,725,123	501,435	7,808,105	454,119
Cigars	132,912	57,398	89,258	43,930	82,128½	49,028
Cigarettes	61,641	23,914	74,332	25,954	81,268½	30,523
Tools of Trade, not being machines		206,680		225,235		241,304
Trimnings and Ornaments		193,460		186,164		167,372
Vehicles—						
Bicycles, &c., and parts		91,289		124,637		126,466
Motor Car Bodies		67,095		122,126		111,104
„ Chassis		346,917		545,242		425,430
Other Vehicles and parts		154,221		179,874		206,182
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	10,945	23,036	13,318	28,570	9,753	20,807
„ Still, bottle	18,998	13,582	19,609	12,806	19,397	14,705
„ Still, bulk	15,843	5,037	13,491	4,152	7,614	2,580
Yarns		60,178		187,745		326,265
All other Articles		6,199,087		8,391,267		7,073,235
Total		27,323,243		33,379,698		32,742,297

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea Annually.

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottled ... gal.	114,327	£ 18,789	108,520	£ 18,873	143,357	£ 24,729
Bulk	3,862	386	728	47	111,105	10,110
Ammonia, Sulphate ... cwt.	59,012	38,071	80,853	65,218	68,808	73,203
Animals Living—						
Cattle, ordinary ... No.	313	1,837	103	538	128	2,759
Horses, ordinary	218	9,624	Nil.	Nil.	3,310	75,944
Sheep, ordinary	4,703	5,799	852	1,373	1,441	3,000
Sheep, breeding	800	9,869	230	2,890	277	5,477
Apparel and Attire ... ..	...	74,642	...	127,605	...	101,493
Biscuits lbs.	3,068,299	41,199	2,696,122	41,449	3,227,998	49,504
Boats, Launches ... ..	...	7,800	...	5,004	...	4,357
Bones cwt.	11,473	7,643	6,963	4,772	9,881	8,416
Books—printed ... ..	...	38,913	...	35,785	...	35,306
Boots, Shoes—Leather ... ..	...	15,028	...	19,912	...	37,253
Bullion—						
Gold—Bar, Ingot, etc. ozs.	45,768	56,977	10,315	35,039	374	1,479
In Matte	38,466	154,110	41,260	161,594	32,024	126,607
Silver—Bar, Ingot, etc. ..	816,071	84,820	644,094	73,196	358,992	54,410
In Matte	2,311,945	231,354	2,827,201	309,645	2,178,451	313,990
Butter lbs.	23,336,327	1,106,919	4,128,433	254,793	24,493,305	1,707,616
Cheese	317,437	10,157	76,016	4,788	1,847,267	72,483
Coal tons	1,370,989	719,809	927,225	506,361	646,547	415,549
Coke	14,247	15,011	25,219	29,107	34,709	52,238
Concentrates—						
Silver, Silver Lead ... cwt.	106,783	57,849	Nil.	Nil.	...	...
Tin	1,310	4,608	3,672	12,802	...	...
Zinc	382,224	74,323	60,785	91,260	100,469	33,017
Other	4,208	8,433	2,427	13,949	656	8,456
Confectionery lbs.	151,261	7,544	137,782	7,908	281,897	15,788
Copper—Ingots cwt.	464,688	1,546,601	601,138	2,932,340	676,181	4,072,056
In Matte	31,237	107,783	41,566	197,441	14,494	65,304
Drugs, Chemicals, n.e.i....	...	16,943	...	21,047	...	32,083
Fruits, Dried—						
Currants lbs.	266,597	3,833	182,207	3,730	2,522,065	60,908
Raisins	207,662	3,357	317,183	9,163	485,551	14,384
Fruits, Fresh—						
Apples centals	7,901	7,023	5,677	5,309	7,414	7,245
Citrus	11,418	9,468	19,683	13,997	24,293	23,489
Furniture ... ..	...	7,013	...	8,732	...	10,757
Glue Pieces, Sinews ... cwt.	14,435	6,321	13,276	6,135	17,636	12,987
Glycerine, unrefined ... lbs.	201,992	4,727	218,675	5,803	423,427	12,970
Grain—						
Maize cntl.	6,133	2,530	2,584	928	25,223	10,849
Oats	5,122	3,580	85,325	33,669	36,694	14,988
Wheat	1,606,284	535,856	5,559,733	2,766,759	10,960,345	4,612,327
Bran, Pollard, Sharps ...	115,703	45,729	63,089	26,255	123,020	40,745
Flour (Wheaten)	412,837	211,488	968,761	594,124	1,931,994	1,189,399
Hair—Other lbs.	196,887	12,842	336,765	12,660	324,441	13,560
Hats, Caps, Bonnets ...	...	5,348	...	9,397	...	12,762
Hay and Chaff cwt.	7,238	2,479	3,840	1,433	2,859	774
Hoofs	561	218	4,518	1,254	3,026	2,212
Horns ... ..	...	1,736	...	3,455	...	2,826
Jams and Jellies lbs.	1,411,998	24,722	5,600,818	101,722	13,000,812	280,951
Jewellery ... ..	...	5,487	...	7,730	...	4,494
Precious Stones, unset	...	6,549	...	14,359	...	7,141
Lard lbs.	95,142	3,023	73,485	3,139	561,659	17,735
Lead—In Matte cwt.	683,919	552,594	689,303	767,627	529,580	614,072
Pig	1,067,753	1,056,867	971,709	1,356,714	1,604,677	2,385,305
Sheet and Piping	11,657	14,616	9,710	15,368	12,714	22,006
Leather ... ..	...	594,451	...	564,114	...	623,220
Leather Manufactures, n.e.i.	...	17,443	...	13,355	...	12,554
Manures—Bonedust ... cwt.	128,000	40,858	71,795	24,563	35,507	12,295
Superphosphates	52,995	15,779	228,577	45,714	171,557	37,719

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea, Annually—*continued.*

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Meats—Bacon and Hams lbs.	178,872	8,564	85,776	4,680	234,076	9,954
Preserved by C.P.—						
Beef lbs.	23,626,403	444,561	784,000	18,509	10,453,222	227,147
Mutton car.	1,639,355	1,253,127	317,102	268,764	430,780	494,300
Lamb car.	76,965,279	389,839	14,124,161	274,989	22,088,432	207,111
Rabbits and Hares... prs	565,909	393,179	358,419	607,711	210,022	760,331
Potted, Concentrated... ..	19,478,243	187,628	12,318,924	45,465	7,939,660	62,744
Preserved in tins, &c.... lb.	7,546,446	925,334	4,123,668	161,422	8,365,107	386,097
Medicines... ..	25,012,609	48,147	...	63,694	...	58,348
Metals—Antimony and						
Compounds ... ..	...	889	...	43,873	...	18,489
Metal Manufactures ... ..	...	110,577	...	190,680	...	175,957
Oils—Cocoonut cwt.	84,619	174,904	82,165	163,900	29,505	79,852
Onions	43,055	21,778	37,439	15,448	63,035	25,654
Ores—Copper	58,527	35,176	69,872	45,192	...	...
Gold Ore, &c.	7,067	14,329	2,385	5,394	...	...
Molybdenite	1,610	40,961	2,569	58,891	3,525	80,680
Silver and Silver-Lead ..	24,738	20,961	Nil.	Nil.	...	...
Tin	22,261	104,320	27,167	151,382	24,665	147,165
Wolfram	8,053	40,173	17,642	158,850	19,651	181,048
Other	36,625	19,223	40,735	46,595	24,618	37,466
Potatoes	32,972	11,683	22,962	12,449	52,583	21,762
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	...	22,526	...	24,739	...	65,314
Sausage Casings ... ..	...	25,058	...	31,706	...	62,393
Seeds ... ..	...	14,594	...	13,807	...	26,497
Skins and Hides—						
Hides (Cattle) No.	596,796	810,157	256,103	328,178	60,436	110,044
Hides (Horse)	1,608	1,187	706	706	175	166
Rabbit and Hare lb.	4,259,797	155,411	4,352,640	210,935	4,721,480	392,453
Sheep with Wool No.	2,783,026	495,237	2,174,774	386,119	700,620	208,075
Sheep without Wool... ..	588,056	25,372	1,272,438	61,936	1,509,432	109,817
Other ... ..	...	113,957	...	272,622	...	288,771
Soap—Toilet, Fancy ... lb.	110,349	6,518	122,106	8,195	152,354	9,964
Other	2,774,027	43,049	2,917,258	53,001	2,624,394	51,844
Specie—Bronze ... ..	...	715	...	295	...	16
Gold ... ..	...	1,025,011	...	9,043,631	...	2,755,593
Silver ... ..	...	51,768	...	32,385	...	33,797
Stationery ... ..	...	11,205	...	16,141	...	17,502
Sugar—Cane cwt.	366,236	317,327	21,163	21,522	21,708	24,203
Tallow, unrefined	549,951	790,015	128,570	227,881	225,522	498,124
Timber—Dressed s. ft.	663,507	7,993	382,522	5,192	252,901	3,421
Undressed	18,891,889	195,368	15,878,754	156,355	11,776,202	134,054
Logs, not sawn	321,119	2,920	217,283	1,680	99,509	877
Tin Ingots... .. cwt.	12,612	93,163	38,946	324,929	47,368	448,158
Tobacco—Manufactured lb.	781,925	62,368	986,625	82,784	993,866	82,058
Cigarettes	20,020	6,990	119,956	25,960	60,992	18,724
Wines—Sparkling gal.	1,891	3,391	2,930	5,816	2,489	4,791
Still, bottle	18,930	10,658	26,407	14,981	29,179	16,997
Still, bulk	66,212	12,744	5,277	19,404	119,559	23,729
Wood, Articles—Casks, Shooks	...	4,095	...	5,156	...	5,016
Other ... ..	...	9,107	...	7,678	...	9,991
Wool—Greasy bale	591,834	7,800,718	652,069	10,158,459	480,416	10,408,056
Scoured and Washed	203,460,397	1,954,957	215,212,159	3,052,187	157,806,810	2,191,868
Tops lb.	131,817	511,021	178,660	680,656	98,450	1,204,570
All other Articles	30,818,047	1,548,194	42,050,208	1,965,541	23,969,500	2,422,770
Total	4,095,966	28,107,025	4,981,975	40,975,416	4,869,452	42,068,333

**No. 14.—Imports Oversea during March, and during the nine months,
July to March.**

Article.	March.				July to March.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£		£		£
Ale, Beer—Bottle ... gal.	787	551	10,079	2,062	36,841	10,770	236,181	54,673
Bulk ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apparel and Attire...	...	63,436	...	86,972	...	598,745	...	882,304
Socks and Stockings ...	...	28,046	...	23,591	...	256,553	...	383,874
Bags and Sacks—Bran, Chaff, &c. doz.	27,750	10,230	13,875	4,166	260,568	92,932	181,894	64,491
Corn and Flour ...	10,325	4,607	60,890	21,037	1,084,975	414,709	1,795,787	522,644
Woolpacks ... No.	27,150	6,548	17,250	2,620	594,500	95,675	539,917	80,755
Other ... doz.	...	...	2,313	573	21,483	5,528	37,089	8,156
Bags, Purses, n.e.i. ...	...	2,789	...	5,615	...	53,384	...	95,632
Blankets and Blanketing ...	...	43	...	5,730	...	5,332	...	52,452
Books (printed), &c. ...	...	15,655	...	16,014	...	177,342	...	171,405
Boots and Shoes ...	...	7,947	...	14,994	...	112,149	...	186,543
Bullion—Gold—Bar, ingot, &c. oz.	1,684	4,618	809	1,949	137,320	557,466	36,369	143,921
Silver " " "	33,985	6,533	...	...	370,264	72,700	3,279	461
Canvas and Duck ...	...	6,241	...	13,019	...	123,766	...	172,626
Carpets and Carpeting ...	...	7,629	...	9,862	...	129,622	...	147,704
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	19
Clocks and Watches ...	...	12,172	...	11,622	...	73,098	...	112,921
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	56,795	3,729	175,565	8,793	1,243,500	53,568	2,554,891	186,080
Confectionery, n.e.i. ...	3,365	551	52,532	2,166	164,196	9,751	974,949	51,923
Copper, Pipes and Tubes ... cwt.	14	251	117	1,304	...	6,695	1,812	11,775
Copra ...	19,295	24,236	15,065	18,378	362,636	449,382	181,901	200,348
Cordage & Twines—Sewing Silks, &c. ...	...	25,619	...	23,859	...	268,760	...	251,000
Counterpanes, Table Covers, Cosies, Cushions, &c. ...	...	12,853	...	11,789	...	127,500	...	174,982
Cutlery, n.e.i. ...	...	7,643	...	11,669	...	107,717	...	109,570
Drugs and Chemicals—								
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	1,482	22,199	2	18	10,479	126,946	6,922	44,923
Earthenware, &c. ...	...	6,401	...	5,182	...	57,112	...	76,707
Electrical Articles—Cable and Wire, covered ... cwt.	1,859	16,192	922	8,699	6,098	60,745	24,975	173,934
Fancy Goods ...	...	...	...	9,589	...	117,008	...	127,682
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	471,391	18,992	823,912	16,204	6,188,042	307,072	7,845,006	275,407
Floor Cloths and Coverings ...	...	11,830	...	14,709	...	152,276	...	170,877
Fruits, fresh—Apples ... cntl.	...	...	357	594	17,230	20,606	24,173	46,103
Bananas ...	17,054	11,255	19,727	10,894	94,881	58,839	196,282	106,337
Other ...	381	413	2	3	1,213	1,254	10,149	19,059
Furniture ...	...	1,222	...	1,597	...	12,829	...	24,028
Gloves ...	...	10,990	...	10,503	...	89,067	...	76,718
Grain—Maize ... cntl.	...	...	1,429	282	62	109	19,064	6,800
Oats ...	...	...	36	30	203	143	194	117
Rice ...	9,376	9,812	1,591	1,108	172,841	97,457	26,464	19,150
Hats and Caps ...	...	5,810	...	4,663	...	99,788	...	126,397
Hessians ...	...	15,191	...	16,430	...	153,540	...	131,492
Instruments—Kinematographs, &c. ...	...	707	...	25,749	...	3,420	...	180,586
Pianos ... No.	84	3,460	241	8,000	4,405	128,401	3,482	97,375
Parts ...	...	3,235	...	1,993	...	33,140	...	23,169
Iron and Steel—								
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee ... cwt.	1,850	4,102	33,401	30,451	79,704	112,985	422,367	363,413
Girders, Beams, &c. ...	2,465	3,472	15,525	12,513	12,004	13,183	68,636	51,690
Pig ...	...	...	2,984	1,094	18,415	11,744	50,445	13,049
Plate and Sheet—Galvanised ...	3,284	8,949	10,771	15,496	64,803	143,478	201,719	320,039
Not galvanised ...	369	824	9,272	8,058	32,840	43,837	153,562	109,802
Jewellery ...	...	2,583	...	5,364	...	53,576	...	68,253
Precious Stones, unset ...	...	33,299	...	3,629	...	158,816	...	112,958
Leather ...	...	1,955	...	18,356	...	67,024	...	164,544
Machines and Machinery—								
Agricultural ...	...	13,586	...	31,913	...	176,748	...	191,737
Electrical ...	...	20,992	...	42,343	...	204,328	...	334,307
Engines ...	...	6,385	...	8,713	...	53,096	...	96,595
Mining ...	...	2,468	...	2,145	...	22,618	...	20,069
Motive Power ...	...	1,437	...	11,769	...	80,099	...	78,364
Sewing ...	...	4,104	...	6,822	...	96,152	...	85,193
Other ...	...	47,592	...	119,208	...	539,552	...	733,581

No. 14.—Imports Oversea during February, and during the nine months,
July to March—*continued.*

Article.	March.				July to March.			
	1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£		£		£
Matches gross boxes	16,750	2,692	8,894	1,197	393,610	53,655	245,637	36,350
Medicines ... ..	...	11,034	...	13,081	...	153,802	...	197,704
Metals, Manufactures—								
Pipes and Tubes ... ..	...	8,724	...	16,731	...	157,341	...	280,832
Wire ... ..	...	7,638	...	11,814	...	218,693	...	148,685
Wire Netting ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1,942
Miscellaneous ... ..	...	65,065	...	60,715	...	275,588	...	782,743
Oils, Bulk—Benzine ... gal.	621,386	42,795	182,780	12,065	3,884,396	297,651	3,923,938	305,355
Benzoline, &c.	40,084	4,201	100,016	7,290	1,198,595	98,477	1,119,635	79,112
Kerosene ... ..	...	...	368,101	10,654	2,927,902	87,677	3,877,730	100,571
Lubricating (Mineral) ... "	210,966	20,869	209,891	12,297	1,540,179	142,937	2,137,803	116,518
Paints and Colours (prepared) ... cwt.	421	1,125	3,211	8,369	10,042	24,910	47,652	110,421
Paper—Printing ... ..	...	15,861	...	75,601	...	304,229	...	568,978
Writing ... ..	...	4,966	...	11,361	...	113,222	...	181,723
Piece Goods—Cotton, Linen	...	186,599	...	157,142	...	2,083,555	...	2,198,581
Flannels ... ..	...	428	...	2,727	...	6,823	...	69,746
Horsehair Cloth ... ..	...	261	...	1,196	...	12,115	...	12,278
Rubbered Waterproof ... ..	...	1,819	...	532	...	17,596	...	12,032
Silk ... ..	...	70,525	...	33,977	...	780,457	...	539,238
Velvets, Velveteens ... ..	...	26,647	...	20,067	...	301,018	...	265,770
Woollens ... ..	...	46,935	...	94,799	...	692,677	...	1,158,481
N.E.I. ... ..	...	11,905	...	22,245	...	90,764	...	158,312
Other ... ..	...	5,268	...	5,622	...	103,751	...	92,320
Rails, Fishplates, &c. ... ..	...	...	...	3,797	...	242	...	10,606
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	...	31,687	...	29,528	...	318,117	...	388,908
Specie—Bronze ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	206
Gold ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	250,000	...	...
Silver ... ..	...	...	...	3,700	...	26,422	...	14,425
Spirits—Brandy, Bottled ... gal.	10	12	614	556	6,608	8,383	25,015	25,629
Brandy, Bulk	541	727	1,809	1,017	22,015	18,014	105,903	60,963
Gin—British	500	309	2,464	706	14,718	9,821	49,678	19,156
Hollands, Geneva ... ..	...	...	279	49	2,726	1,411	25,266	7,778
Schnapps ... ..	...	...	344	141	12,586	5,678	59,471	24,828
Rum, Bottled ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1,251	...	1,302
Rum, Bulk	2,704	823	2,734	793	22,078	8,371	24,698	9,414
Whisky, Bottled	1,460	1,130	1,410	1,374	14,944	12,492	26,488	21,868
Whisky, Bulk	56,989	46,064	91,616	63,109	446,480	374,197	860,097	560,674
Stationery ... ..	...	1,801	...	10,147	...	99,121	...	153,460
Sugar—Cane cwt.	8	11	111,814	100,638	234,543	165,684	717,298	653,600
Tea lb.	338,695	18,037	1,683,381	66,082	15,951,315	657,991	14,210,847	639,144
Timber—Dressed, n.e.i. sup. ft.	1,545	17	34,589	269	52,432	1,159	708,713	11,264
Logs, not sawn	4,269	74	22,966	192	217,047	1,182	436,823	3,230
N.Z. White Pine	2,075,418	15,414	1,895,006	11,396	22,604,811	170,042	30,552,116	198,858
Undressed, n.e.i.	2,015,000	71,402	7,212,153	52,069	61,930,003	418,438	53,808,983	456,833
Tobacco—Manufactured, n.e.i. lb.	31,924	3,204	128,097	8,405	265,684	16,591	926,991	70,128
Unmanufactured	128,032	9,555	2,202,088	134,945	408,839	32,064	5,178,850	304,145
Cigars	9,364	4,839	5,478	4,720	63,680	36,369	62,161	37,776
Cigarettes	2,883	1,087	3,180	1,522	41,174	16,434	67,227	24,912
Tools of Trade ... ..	...	10,565	...	20,282	...	154,250	...	208,275
Trimnings and Ornaments	...	10,706	...	10,604	...	140,297	...	136,267
Vehicles, Bicycles, &c., and parts	...	12,598	...	11,167	...	83,843	...	83,937
Motor Car Bodies ... ..	...	5,138	...	6,522	...	87,773	...	76,079
Motor Car Chassis ... ..	...	17,376	...	28,805	...	311,165	...	310,964
Other Vehicles and parts	...	7,608	...	13,153	...	142,361	...	174,338
Wines—Sparkling gal.	57	173	379	904	2,952	7,010	8,245	17,711
Still, bottled	997	496	80	79	11,261	9,796	16,583	11,836
Still, bulk	421	151	899	239	2,670	1,297	6,36	2,086
Yarns ... ..	...	8,049	...	20,410	...	140,384	...	280,539
All other Articles ... ..	...	512,005	...	642,500	...	5,534,655	...	5,752,274
Total £	...	1,867,795	...	2,581,198	...	22,382,414	...	26,744,921

No. 15.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1890.	1900.	1905.	1910.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Imports.							
Australian States	£ 10,049,648	£ 10,164,080	£ 14,938,885	£ 12,623,428*	£ †	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	8,628,007	9,923,117	8,602,288	14,385,633	15,367,746	15,608,510	15,722,209
Canada...	18,784	114,321	73,443	350,593	944,518	981,845	887,378
Fiji ...	99,853	60,831	43,232	161,894	247,050	594,632	1,038,521
Hong Kong ...	271,730	67,928	89,351	95,450	151,710	200,879	198,899
India and Ceylon	239,070	601,741	717,948	1,135,359	1,631,131	2,021,610	2,023,349
New Zealand ...	932,073	1,348,605	1,369,001	1,180,011	1,151,271	1,702,753	1,452,899
South Africa ...	55	1,013	5,256	20,312	25,550	401,026	89,377
Straits Settlements	27,148	40,391	82,830	132,245	231,731	305,992	372,184
Other British ...	6,685	118,929	67,165	158,494	188,324	225,901	222,945
Belgium ...	130,819	147,661	222,994	555,298	263,510	1,629	7,955
China ...	241,840	190,456	28,631	38,720	53,918	116,838	57,453
France ...	117,871	270,084	138,028	166,986	99,841	130,721	64,996
Germany ...	639,475	1,105,664	864,289	1,288,574	497,372	19,549	20,038
Italy ...	23,961	92,732	73,757	129,246	200,666	333,774	179,434
Japan ...	22,040	122,041	145,257	335,320	660,389	1,274,348	1,451,040
New Caledonia	83,920	28,509	18,399	39,242	37,411	43,569	34,759
Philippine Islands	4,414	49,240	27,854	37,492	41,841	73,638	31,507
South Sea Islands	40,214	107,488	103,142	164,530	\$	\$	\$
United States ...	859,102	2,557,961	1,636,069	2,150,953	4,320,904	7,374,260	7,367,597
Other Foreign...	178,295	448,279	176,189	706,641	1,207,760	1,968,224	1,519,757
Total, Oversea	12,565,356	17,396,991	14,485,123	23,238,993	27,323,243	33,379,698	32,742,297
Total, Imports	22,615,004	27,561,071	29,424,008	.....	.....	.....	.....
Exports.							
Australian States	£ 10,990,593	£ 9,979,190	£ 12,263,472	£ 10,307,115†	£ †	£ †	£ †
Oversea—							
United Kingdom	6,623,431	8,273,272	10,222,422	13,318,099	16,258,252	15,320,054	23,906,117
Canada ...	10	66,403	41,520	76,866	362,016	650,264	250,388
Fiji ...	98,951	183,579	245,152	410,926	379,326	289,836	377,846
Hong Kong ...	255,050	218,986	424,460	414,042	383,601	252,759	114,490
India and Ceylon	257,360	174,296	1,330,189	187,128	355,307	573,335	955,049
New Zealand ...	294,138	826,662	934,661	1,319,358	1,767,086	2,421,292	1,967,562
South Africa ...	1,014	755,487	371,727	289,812	753,499	128,016	154,510
Straits Settlements	34,347	39,898	95,995	246,513	211,588	263,623	351,474
Other British ...	27,469	49,586	89,969	136,742	368,113	497,660	1,907,954
Belgium ...	1,011,846	620,349	1,787,163	2,970,187	203,527	420	.....
China ...	1,037	68,004	318,159	64,192	50,546	67,220	64,990
France ...	233,924	1,024,300	3,570,246	4,232,137	610,879	1,498,631	1,407,457
Germany ...	404,280	844,504	2,771,396	4,934,474	150,619	.....	.....
Italy ...	24,498	61,132	176,770	234,419	570,572	1,934,012	1,276,780
Japan ...	7,156	133,989	377,451	524,598	1,573,184	2,354,584	2,663,270
New Caledonia	193,396	179,761	135,446	115,458	158,794	179,377	251,495
Philippine Islands	16,410	88,043	183,853	226,134	120,591	52,508	124,663
South Sea Islands	45,290	126,834	141,381	214,651	\$	\$	\$
United States ...	1,300,375	3,981,242	602,145	865,326	2,721,910	13,132,683	3,776,345
Other Foreign...	225,362	468,999	698,429	1,254,389	1,098,615	1,359,142	2,518,843
Total, Oversea	11,055,344	18,185,326	24,518,534	32,035,451	28,107,025	40,975,416	42,068,333
Total, Exports	22,045,937	28,164,516	36,782,006	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Imports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. † Exports, 1st January to 13th September inclusive. ‡ Not available.
§ Included in "Other Foreign."

No. 16.—Principal Articles Imported at Sydney during March, 1918.

(Compiled from returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Article.		Oversea.*		Interstate.			State.	
		Quantity.	Measurement.	Quantity.	Measurement.	Value.	Quantity.	Measurement.
						£		
Agricultural Implements	tons	99	257	200	134	11,315	2	1
Ale, Beer, and Stout	...	.....	.....	.....	274	4,349	.....	44
Animals—Horses	No.	52	.....	27	...	2,350	60	...
Horned Cattle	"	26	.....	34	...	680	239	...
Calves	...	.....	.....	3	...	50	262	...
Pigs	...	5	.....	.....	...	.....	4,775	...
Bacon and Hams	tons	.....	.....	.....	246	17,716	.....	428
Bananas	behs.	34,682	.....	1,216	...	147	135	...
"	cases	8,376	.....	3,694	...	1,568	19,934	...
Boots, Shoes, &c.	tons	.....	63	.....	470	60,503	.....	1
Bullion—Gold and Silver	cwt.	1	.....	1	...	5,150	.....	...
Butter	tons	.....	.....	.....	7	809	.....	3,180
Candles, tapers, night-lights	...	.....	.....	.....	95	4,245	.....	150
Cement	tons	.....	6	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Chaff	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	1	...
Cheese	...	.....	2	.....	27	1,303	203	337
Coal	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	71,643	...
" (bunker)	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	31,015	...
Confectionery	...	3	2	.....	508	21,169	.....	...
Cordage, rope, twine, &c.	tons	.....	190	.....	125	8,555	.....	...
Drapery	...	.....	2,878	.....	1,417	195,247	.....	25
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals	...	149	394	79	142	13,229	28	13
Earthenware	tons	.....	248	.....	102	1,462	.....	4
Eggs (in shell)	...	.....	.....	.....	93	2,052	.....	89
Fish, fresh or frozen	...	.....	13	.....	...	.....	.....	551
Oysters, fresh or other	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	85
Flour	tons	1	.....	5	4	160	.....	...
Fruit, fresh	cases	694	.....	75,322	...	21,489	8,722	...
Furniture	tons	2	27	.....	285	3,454	.....	6
Glass and Glassware	"	105	1,009	.....	128	1,631	.....	175
Grain—Maize	...	.....	.....	1,081	...	10,281	794	...
Oats	...	.....	.....	397	...	3,646	.....	...
Hardware	...	339	617	245	187	24,144	13	13
Hay	...	.....	.....	7	...	37	803	...
Hides and Skins	...	.....	116	...	933	58,981	.....	371
Iron—Galvanized	...	85	.....	7	...	412	2	...
Pig	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Jams and Jellies	...	.....	.....	.....	279	8,705	.....	2
Leatherware	...	.....	17	.....	127	28,671	.....	22
Machinery and Machines	...	80	388	119	578	21,806	36	32
Matches and Match-making Materials	...	.....	65	.....	490	18,418	.....	3
Milk and Cream, preserved	...	.....	.....	.....	266	14,410	.....	164
Molasses and Syrup	tons	.....	.....	53	62	1,573	447	...
Melons, Pumpkins, Squashes	No.	.....	.....	9,812	...	103	5,651	...
Onions	tons	.....	.....	784	1	5,542	2	...
Oilmen's Stores	...	44	274	30	152	7,876	7	44
Potatoes	...	.....	.....	4,282	...	28,511	46	...
Saddlery	...	1	14	.....	4	367	.....	...
Soap	...	.....	21	.....	182	6,519	272	62
Specie	tons	.....	.....	.....	33	21,000	.....	...
Spirits—Brandy	...	.....	.....	.....	66	10,913	.....	...
Gin	...	.....	.....	.....	55	7,864	.....	...
Rum	...	.....	.....	.....	199	29,825	.....	...
Whisky	...	.....	233	.....	49	8,343	.....	4
Sugar	...	412	.....	2,978	...	69,143	405	...
Tea	...	.....	1,282	.....	53	2,145	.....	1
Timber—Sawn	sup. ft.	7,487,173	.....	1,606,399	...	16,651	3,587,223	...
Rough	"	14,281	.....	659,609	...	4,275	1,792,244	...
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	tons	29	636	.....	404	34,686	.....	...
Vegetables, fresh	...	.....	.....	178	81	1,125	9	...
Waters, Cordials, &c.	...	.....	7	.....	95	2,361	.....	...
Wines	...	.....	21	.....	420	12,859	.....	7
Woodenware	...	.....	107	.....	162	2,749	.....	20
Wool—Bales and Butts	No.	.....	.....	2,574	...	77,010	1,823	...
Bags	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	193	...
Woollens	tons	.....	83	.....	265	26,194	.....	...
All other Articles	...	15,441	25,798	8,517	8,773	429,767	5,857	4,932
Total	...	.....	34,768	.....	17,973	1,375,545	.....	10,766

* The total oversea imports were valued at £1,836,222.

No. 17.—Shipping—all Ports.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Customs Department.)

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage Entered.		Tonnage Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1906	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
1908	3,196	6,298,784	3,219	6,303,125	5,822,060	476,724	5,737,747	565,378
1909	2,861	5,870,034	2,767	5,689,420	5,388,231	481,803	5,254,376	435,050
1910	2,937	6,290,119	3,035	6,471,855	5,892,049	398,070	6,047,832	424,023
1911	3,127	6,822,135	3,146	6,833,782	6,427,442	394,693	6,424,805	408,917
1912	3,354	7,490,046	3,346	7,453,005	7,010,420	479,626	6,975,678	477,327
1913	3,393	8,117,501	3,375	8,071,101	7,800,389	317,112	7,744,422	326,679
Jan.—June, 1914	1,799	4,393,002	1,765	4,318,636	4,147,995	245,097	4,119,514	199,122
1914-15	3,000	7,051,503	3,059	7,219,914	6,892,390	159,113	7,004,886	215,028
1915-16	3,045	6,552,235	3,062	6,574,582	6,346,795	205,440	6,360,428	214,154
1916-17	2,239	5,836,272	2,610	5,784,164	5,719,724	116,548	5,673,942	110,222
July-Mar., 1917-8	1,606	3,343,697	1,616	3,306,811	3,243,670	100,027	3,101,555	205,256
1916-7	1,595	4,472,606	1,958	4,393,741	4,385,504	87,102	4,312,977	80,764
March, 1918	193	397,696	198	411,636	384,783	12,913	403,074	8,562
1917	216	486,086	227	513,872	478,218	7,868	510,880	2,992

NOTE.—The shipping recorded in the above table is "Oversea" and "Interstate" only.

No. 18.—Shipping entered—Port of Sydney.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Year.	Description of Vessels.	Number of Vessels.			Net Tonnage.		
		Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.	Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.
1907	Steam ...	2,456	6,589	9,045	5,105,343	1,553,200	6,658,543
	Sailing ...	318	1,011	1,329	377,080	134,516	511,596
1908	Steam ...	2,460	6,469	8,929	5,205,883	1,596,569	6,802,452
	Sailing ...	190	904	1,094	169,339	135,783	305,122
1909	Steam ...	2,314	5,713	8,027	5,148,293	1,483,635	6,631,928
	Sailing ...	193	724	917	171,638	97,491	269,129
1910	Steam ...	2,292	5,700	7,992	5,398,910	1,474,145	6,873,055
	Sailing ...	173	679	852	174,789	89,464	264,253
1911	Steam ...	2,408	6,138	8,546	5,903,713	1,626,209	7,529,922
	Sailing ...	168	502	670	159,031	80,087	239,118
1912	Steam ...	2,747	6,417	9,164	6,580,862	1,738,343	8,319,205
	Sailing ..	110	401	511	120,072	54,782	174,854
1913	Steam ...	2,696	6,718	9,414	7,063,444	1,790,740	8,854,184
	Sailing ...	107	401	508	109,725	54,876	164,601
Jan.—June, 1914	Steam ...	1,371	3,278	4,649	3,722,136	881,795	4,603,931
	Sailing ...	65	167	232	80,675	25,971	106,646
1914-15	Steam ...	2,452	6,640	9,092	6,290,718	1,761,927	8,052,645
	Sailing ...	70	304	374	67,980	43,708	111,688
1915-16	Steam ...	2,321	6,571	8,892	5,589,677	1,762,430	7,352,107
	Sailing ...	152	241	393	136,511	46,659	183,170
1916-17	Steam ...	2,026	6,100	8,126	5,000,450	1,576,907	6,577,357
	Sailing ...	127	200	327	107,841	40,630	148,471
July-Mar., 1917-8	Steam ..	1,268	3,973	5,241	2,924,036	984,387	3,908,423
	Sailing ...	92	158	250	91,689	26,252	117,941
1916-7	Steam ...	1,522	4,572	6,094	3,830,355	1,184,706	5,015,061
	Sailing ...	91	155	246	67,816	29,700	97,606
March, 1918	Steam ..	141	497	638	307,586	117,097	424,683
	Sailing ...	14	19	33	25,835	3,700	29,535
1917	Steam ...	179	533	712	417,115	135,247	552,362
	Sailing ..	10	17	27	6,543	2,625	9,168

NOTE.—"Oversea and Interstate" shipping includes the trips and tonnages of vessels which proceed to Newcastle for bunker coal, which return to Sydney, but which do not then report at the Customs.

No. 19.—State Revenue (March), and nine months (July to March).

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	March.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to March.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1917.	1918.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth Returns ...	191,489	190,576	(—) 913	1,723,401	1,717,362	(—) 6,039
Taxation (by State) ...	138,415	145,534	7,119	1,418,570	1,417,026	(—) 1,544
Public Lands ...	184,956	182,329	(—) 2,627	1,318,057	1,402,218	84,161
All other sources ...	60,496	59,543	(—) 953	589,702	625,523	35,821
Gross Total ...	575,356	577,982	2,626	5,049,730	5,162,129	112,399
Refunds ...	10,326	10,726	400	94,220	117,845	23,625
Net Total ...	565,030	567,256	2,226	4,955,510	5,044,284	88,774
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	964,848	942,299	(—) 22,549	7,605,474	7,730,834	125,360
Other ...	233,827	165,396	(—) 68,431	1,115,976	1,127,094	11,118
Gross Total ...	1,198,675	1,107,695	(—) 99,980	8,721,450	8,857,928	136,478
Refunds ...	5,117	18,229	13,112	50,334	68,988	18,654
Net Total ...	1,193,558	1,089,466	(—) 104,092	8,671,116	8,788,940	117,824
Net Revenue and Receipts proper	£ 1,758,588	1,656,722	(—) 101,866	13,626,626	13,833,224	206,598

No. 20.—State Expenditure (March), and nine months (July to March).

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	March.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to March.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1917.	1918.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	600,526	584,918	(—) 15,608	5,069,180	5,239,247	170,067
Business Undertakings ...	677,605	644,183	(—) 33,422	6,064,488	5,940,199	(—) 124,289
Interest ...	1,050,697	552,782	(—) 497,915	4,241,472	3,921,687	(—) 319,785
Total Expenditure ...	£ 2,328,828	1,781,883	(—) 546,945	15,375,140	15,101,133	(—) 274,007

No. 21.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, nine months (July to March).

Particulars.	1916-17.		1917-18.	
	£		£	
Balance on 1st July ...	Dr.	214,340	Dr.	483,138
Revenue proper—Governmental ...		4,955,510*		5,044,284*
Business Undertakings ...		8,671,116*		8,788,940*
Other Receipts ...		18,899		98,341
Total Receipts ...	£	13,645,525		13,931,565
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...		5,069,180†		5,239,247†
Business Undertakings ...		6,064,488†		5,940,199†
Interest ...		4,241,472†		3,921,687†
Bogan Scrub Clearing ...		.....		.....
Two-thirds Net-proceeds Sale—Crown Lands ...		120,000		.....
Transfer to Special Deposit Account, Forestry Revenue ..		7,839		24,338
Public Works Fund, Grant in aid ...		235,000		250,000
Wheat Acquisition Act ...		69,714		.....
Meat Supply for Imperial Uses Act ...		51,548		11,716
Other Payments ...		120,565		343,714
Total Payments ...	£	15,979,806		15,730,901
Balance at 31st March ...	£	Dr. 2,548,621		Dr. 2,282,474

* As per Table No. 19. † As per Table No. 20.

NOTE.—The total receipts in this table (No. 21), represent the gross transactions, including advances recovered, while the expenditure includes transfers to various funds, also temporary advances made. These items are not included in Tables Nos. 19 and 20, but they are necessary in order to ascertain the balances of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. 22.—State Revenue—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	593,320	738,008	1,331,328	525,573	831,945	1,357,518	(+) 26,190
August ...	582,910	869,932	1,552,842	581,910	671,620	1,253,530	(—) 299,312
September ...	488,850	990,422	1,479,272	482,139	762,452	1,244,591	(—) 234,681
October ...	461,276	1,038,970	1,500,246	532,550	1,090,385	1,622,935	(+) 122,689
November ...	583,017	953,621	1,536,638	513,201	1,073,625	1,586,826	(+) 50,188
December ...	508,788	977,070	1,485,858	647,437	1,097,037	1,744,474	(+) 258,616
January ...	573,897	967,898	1,541,795	672,333	1,129,828	1,802,161	(+) 260,366
February ...	498,171	941,888	1,440,059	521,885	1,042,582	1,564,467	(+) 124,408
March ...	565,030	1,193,558	1,758,588	567,256	1,089,466	1,656,722	(—) 101,866
Total (9 months) ...	4,955,259	8,671,367	13,626,626	5,044,284	8,788,940	13,833,224	(+) 206,598

No. 23.—State Expenditure—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	878,593	705,187	1,583,780	919,511	737,549	1,657,060	(+) 73,280
August ...	884,168	732,179	1,616,347	916,274	724,447	1,640,721	(+) 24,374
September ...	1,626,447	637,511	2,263,958	1,122,699	334,774	1,457,473	(—) 806,485
October ...	1,112,391	638,353	1,750,744	1,721,598	606,811	2,328,409	(+) 577,665
November ...	652,911	710,834	1,363,745	809,532	700,554	1,510,086	(+) 146,341
December ...	799,420	612,481	1,411,901	676,223	677,880	1,354,103	(—) 57,798
January ...	860,932	714,254	1,575,186	996,930	810,328	1,807,258	(+) 232,072
February ...	842,908	637,743	1,480,651	860,467	703,673	1,564,140	(+) 83,489
March ...	1,651,223	677,605	2,328,828	1,137,700	1,644,183	2,781,883	(—) 546,945
Total (9 months) ...	9,308,993	6,066,147	15,375,140	9,160,934	5,940,199	15,101,133	(+) 274,007

No. 24.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans, 1907-17.

Year ended 30th June.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.					
	Public Debt at end of Year.	Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Docks, Resumptions, &c.).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	85,607,832	421,742	325,908	172,361	174,227	1,094,238
1908	87,635,826	1,363,314	370,819	138,561	92,635	1,965,329
1909	90,307,419	2,127,633	617,589	114,095	47,190	2,906,507
1910	92,525,095	2,471,284	578,111	158,732	38,513	3,246,640
1911	95,523,926	2,547,672	730,819	234,213	409,054	3,921,758
1912	100,052,635	3,448,127	1,344,211	413,998	284,767	5,491,103
1913	106,170,747	4,618,967	1,595,093	676,180	813,354	7,703,594
1914	116,695,031	5,714,964	1,942,497	862,927	606,456	9,126,844
1915	127,735,405	4,690,908	1,368,260	685,231	251,708	6,996,107
1916	130,514,018	4,983,632	1,535,364	1,005,291	648,817	8,173,104
1917	138,138,347	3,842,809	1,435,674	962,881	620,815	6,862,179

NOTE.—Redemptions of Loans are not included in the Expenditure.

No. 25.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1909-10 to 1916-17.

Head of Revenue.								1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental :—															
Taxation—															
Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and re-								£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
turned to State								3,347,616	1,942,245	2,046,993	2,178,683	2,248,241	2,287,295	2,297,872	2,286,913
State								1,223,521	1,027,519	1,885,653	1,405,360	2,330,005	2,955,670	3,117,221	3,629,404
								£ 4,571,137	2,969,764	3,932,646	3,584,043	4,578,246	5,242,965	5,415,093	5,916,317
Land—															
Alienations								850,363	944,030	894,797	999,363	982,885	906,785	1,057,711	972,658
Revenue								818,869	810,427	774,451	836,585	846,002	791,296	807,602	774,351
								£ 1,669,232	1,754,457	1,669,248	1,835,948	1,828,887	1,698,081	1,865,313	1,747,009
Receipts for Services rendered								£ 375,951	419,388	383,669	412,727	453,016	408,390	414,671	417,345
Miscellaneous Receipts								356,488	317,082	647,672	495,427	482,649	561,093	502,328	550,008
Industrial Undertakings of the State ... ..								.....	.....	20,281	32,885	6,300	10,358	9,660	12,710
Total Governmental								£ 6,972,808	5,460,691	6,653,516	6,361,030	7,349,098	7,920,887	8,206,465	8,643,389
Business Undertakings by the State :—															
Railway Commissioners								6,664,236	7,412,127	8,067,597	8,544,376	9,684,877	9,660,822	9,990,502	10,390,602
Sydney Harbour Trust								337,454	374,280	412,410	452,244	470,773	464,681	489,722	511,980
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage								512,615	537,355	584,654	633,599	713,056	796,338	844,664	866,314
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board								52,960	54,686	58,788	66,145	80,945	85,823	98,089	99,448
Total Business Undertakings								£ 7,567,265	8,378,448	9,123,449	9,696,364	10,949,651	11,007,664	11,422,977	11,868,344
Total								£ 14,540,073	13,839,139	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)								42,342	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
Grand Total								£ 14,582,415	13,882,485	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835

Head of Expenditure.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental :—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Government (exclusive of Business Undertakings)	807,929	801,754	897,215	950,895	1,022,732	971,435	1,057,769	1,004,193
Reduction of Public Debt	421,034	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Local Government and Main Roads—Endowments and Grants	281,815	295,714	341,264	281,304	258,352	281,243	344,022	308,336
Hospitals and Charities (including Lunacy)	518,321	550,956	567,185	643,969	733,387	769,311	880,243	929,218
Police and Prisons	529,935	558,681	574,781	641,858	655,189	653,282	652,119	694,514
Departments—								
Premier	52,492	62,727	109,632	115,303	85,925	185,883	175,978	132,923
Chief Secretary and Public Health (excluding Police, Hospitals, &c.)	88,746	90,293	101,533	107,827	122,666	132,955	126,539	135,172
Treasurer (excluding Charitable Allowances, &c.)	476,295	488,501	586,994	603,520	624,716	593,936	594,751	735,911
Attorney-General and Justice (excluding Prisons)	264,279	268,528	291,971	301,788	325,776	333,965	334,058	331,390
Lands	370,294	380,061	382,396	391,752	384,478	451,025	410,017	384,854
Public Works (excluding Local Government Endowments, &c.)	380,850	399,368	507,650	540,515	418,225	441,523	444,698	459,035
Public Instruction (including Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions)	1,145,038	1,206,942	1,405,358	1,490,205	1,607,324	1,635,453	1,698,515	1,853,049
Labour and Industry	5,477	6,086	19,098	39,510	54,049	43,759	50,111	55,156
Mines	61,707	63,644	64,347	63,157	67,834	71,010	74,803	62,425
Agriculture	165,047	175,054	187,062	216,366	295,943	236,163	245,298	249,244
Local Government and Main Roads ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,777	29,612
All other Services	522,884	411,140	387,790	545,927	450,190	420,223	445,516	467,941
Total, Governmental	£ 6,092,143	6,168,798	6,861,197	7,384,498	7,112,418	7,226,854	7,562,718	7,839,841
Business Undertakings, including Interest on Capital :—								
Railways and Tramways	6,131,654	6,759,942	7,501,224	8,520,415	9,505,926	9,540,159	10,107,149	10,794,694
Water Supply and Sewerage	536,669	576,072	608,534	644,347	725,931	785,300	841,278	984,803
Sydney Harbour Trust	286,212	307,253	314,143	332,839	366,698	383,435	420,669	464,564
Total, Business Undertakings	£ 6,954,535	7,643,267	8,423,901	9,497,601	10,598,555	10,708,894	11,369,096	12,244,061
Transfers to Public Works and Closer Settlement Funds	1,146,177	636,153	638,729	559,698	336,541	499,408	589,818	563,043
Advances made	37,531	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688
Grand Total	£ 14,230,386	14,470,687	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633

No. 27.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1911-12 to 1916-17.

	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward ...	Cr. 401,505	Cr. 61,363	Dr. 1,167,017	Dr. 793,978	Dr. 363,931	Dr. 214,340
Net Revenue Proper ...	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Advances Repaid ...	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
(A) Total Receipts for year	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835
Net Expenditure Proper ...	14,848,177	16,356,497	17,705,341	17,930,060	18,925,310	20,077,034
Payments to Sinking Fund..	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Advances—Treasurer's Account and Loan Votes ...	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688
Public Works Fund—Statutory payment of $\frac{3}{4}$ of Proceeds of Sale of Crown lands, less 20 per cent. ...	348,664	359,698	336,541	299,408	354,818	328,043
Payments in aid—						
Public Works Fund ...	290,065	200,000	.....	200,000	235,000	235,000
Closer Settlement Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advance to Railway Loan A/c	.....	75,000	.....	.....	.....	.....
(B) Total Disbursements during year ...	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633
Surplus on Transactions of year—(A)–(B) ...	(–)340,143	(–)1,228,380	373,039	430,048	149,591	(–)268,798

(–) Denotes deficiency.

No. 28.—Revenue per head collected by the State, 1907-1917.

Year.	Governmental.					Business Undertakings.					Total Revenue.
	Taxation.	Returned by Commonwealth	Land Revenue.	Other Revenue.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewerage.	Harbour Trust.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
1906-7	0 18 5	2 0 4	1 5 2	9 2	4 13 1	3 14 8	7 2 4	0 4 5	10 8 18	11	
1907-8	0 14 1	2 6 11	1 3 4	8 11	4 13 3	3 18 0	7 2 4	3 4 9	5 9 2	8	
1908-9	0 11 7	2 3 0	1 2 10	8 3	4 5 8	3 18 8	6 10 4	3 4 9	8 15 5	5	
1909-10	0 15 4	2 1 11	1 8 11	4 7 10	4 7 10	4 3 6	7 1 4	3 4 14	10 9 2	8	
1910-11	0 12 6	1 3 9	1 2 5	8 6	3 7 2	4 10 6	7 2 4	7 5 2	3 8 9	5	
1911-12	1 2 2	1 4 1	1 0 10	11 6	3 18 7	4 15 0	7 7 4	10 5 7	5 9 6	0	
1912-13	0 15 10	1 4 6	1 0 7	12 10	3 13 9	4 16 1	7 10 5	1 5 9	0 9 2	9	
1913-14	1 5 5	1 4 6	0 19 11	11 10	4 1 8	5 5 8	8 8 5	2 5 19	6 10 1	2	
1914-15	1 11 8	1 4 7	0 18 3	10 8	4 5 2	5 3 8	9 5 5	0 5 18	1 10 3	3	
1915-16	1 13 4	1 4 7	1 0 0	10 8	4 8 7	5 6 11	10 1 5	3 6 2	3 10 10	10	
1916-17	1 18 11	1 4 7	0 18 9	10 9	4 13 0	5 11 6	10 5 5	6 6 7	5 11 0	5	

No. 29.—Expenditure per head by the State, 1907-17.

Year.	Governmental.				Business Undertakings.				Total Expenditure.
	Public Instruction.	Interest and Sinking Funds.	Other Services.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.*	Water and Sewerage.*	Harbo'r Trust.*	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906-7	0 12 8	0 17 6	3 5 4	4 15 6	3 5 11	6 3	3 6	3 15 8	8 11 2
1907 8	0 13 7	0 14 10	3 12 6	5 0 11	3 9 0	6 3	3 7	3 19 2	9 0 1
1908-9	0 13 11	0 15 10	3 15 7	5 5 4	3 13 1	6 9	3 7	4 3 5	9 8 9
1909-10	0 14 4	0 15 5	3 1 4	4 11 1	3 16 10	6 8	3 7	4 7 1	8 18 2
1910-11	0 14 9	0 14 10	2 13 8	4 3 3	4 2 6	7 1	3 9	4 13 4	8 16 7
1911-12	0 16 5	0 15 8	2 18 8	4 10 9	4 8 4	7 3	3 8	4 19 3	9 10 0
1912-13	0 16 9	0 15 9	2 17 4	4 9 10	4 15 9	7 3	3 9	5 6 9	9 16 7
1913-14	0 17 7	0 11 3	2 12 8	4 1 6	5 3 9	7 11	4 0	5 15 8	9 17 2
1914-15	0 17 6	0 10 6	2 15 9	4 3 9	5 2 5	8 5	4 1	5 14 11	9 18 8
1915-16	0 18 2	0 11 5	2 18 0	4 7 7	5 8 2	9 0	4 6	6 1 8	10 9 3
1916-17	0 19 11	0 10 10	3 1 2	4 11 11	5 15 10	10 7	5 0	6 11 5	11 3 4

NOTE.—See Tables Nos. 28 and 29 for actual amounts received and expended.

* Includes payment of interest on capital expenditure.

No. 30.—Trading Banks—Liabilities.

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
1908	1,713,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,616,985	357,320	45,971,186
1909	1,659,826	298,868	18,846,211	25,834,135	44,680,346	129,093	46,768,133
1910	1,801,807	370,885	23,512,712	26,642,873	50,155,585	100,348	52,428,625
1911	1,819,180	402,760	25,985,355	29,341,683	55,327,038	206,181	57,755,159
1912	226,151	418,504	27,937,492	30,292,076	58,229,568	177,130	59,051,353
1913	142,686	431,429	26,504,388	†30,777,791	†57,282,179	861,270	58,717,564
1914	111,939	510,811	29,944,028	†32,983,409	†62,927,437	1,177,365	64,727,552
1915	95,505	419,227	33,180,317	†35,031,367	†68,217,684	1,236,574	69,968,990
1916	87,316	529,211	43,610,878	†36,435,167	†80,046,045	2,120,888	82,783,460
1917	80,765	584,564	46,599,978	†37,449,286	†84,049,264	1,534,805	86,249,398
Sept. 1917	77,976	454,887	41,221,201	†38,653,066	†79,874,267	1,563,552	81,970,682
Dec., 1917	76,355	646,332	38,652,032	†38,763,384	†77,415,416	1,564,032	79,702,135
Mar., 1918	73,619	739,535	39,811,319	†39,562,775	†79,374,094	1,660,530	81,847,778
„ 1917	83,290	747,717	44,930,620	†36,938,472	†81,869,092	1,602,938	84,303,937

† Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits which have already been included under the returns of Savings Banks—Table No. 33. On 31st March, 1918, the amount so included was £4,171,769.

No. 31.—Trading Banks—Assets.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	8,966,445	162,008	.....	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
1908	9,617,962	192,432	.....	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,974
1909	10,096,626	222,304	.....	1,791,040	37,109,453	344,069	419,509	49,983,001
1910	12,785,389	195,204	.....	1,824,349	37,482,907	407,089	607,367	53,302,305
1911	14,327,999	196,961	1,770,751	1,871,811	42,456,515	664,320	618,467	61,906,824
1912	12,116,947	196,110	1,992,519	1,930,319	47,449,649	293,103	488,699	64,467,346
1913	11,839,977	143,723	1,854,248	1,967,555	45,147,699	365,625	1,110,028	62,428,855
1914	15,304,463	120,338	1,845,189	1,953,111	47,765,084	498,760	1,571,433	69,118,378
1915	14,711,181	117,900	7,273,320	2,108,633	51,379,741	484,435	1,322,677	77,397,887
1916	11,570,443	134,935	13,073,103	2,255,032	59,101,909	504,809	2,284,894	88,925,125
1917	11,022,375	541,657	11,766,417	2,348,946	63,031,127	534,028	1,839,955	91,084,505
Sept. 1917	11,459,040	602,490	10,781,937	2,366,243	64,991,098	507,208	1,900,997	92,609,013
Dec. 1917	11,392,585	482,433	9,345,552	2,421,896	66,291,077	514,980	2,075,504	92,524,027
Mar., 1918	11,040,755	399,880	10,396,798	2,414,751	69,322,842	523,246	2,248,947	96,347,219
„ 1917	11,293,419	345,345	11,040,018	2,349,907	63,463,899	482,002	1,775,927	90,750,517

No. 32.—Trading Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1906	...	...	...	220,860,512	1912	...	...	...	330,621,122
1907	...	...	...	234,169,822	1913	...	...	...	348,741,175
1908	...	...	...	227,736,243	1914	...	...	...	353,068,040
1909	...	...	...	240,645,737	1915	...	...	...	357,803,424
1910	...	...	...	274,343,666	1916	...	...	...	422,371,972
1911	...	...	...	304,488,435	1917	...	...	...	444,532,930
Total, 1st January to 25th March, 1918				...	...				122,063,685
„ „ 26th „ 1917				...	...				102,717,787

No. 33.—Savings Banks.

Year ended 30th June.	Number of Depositors on 30th June.	Value of Deposits on 30th June.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited on 30th June.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1907	408,859	16,338,051	1,456,791	39 19 2	10 15 3
1908	435,618	17,849,384	1,511,333	40 19 6	11 11 3
1909	444,930	19,022,151	1,172,767	42 15 1	12 1 6
1910	478,006	20,823,764	1,801,613	43 11 3	12 18 0
1911	522,251	23,381,014	2,557,250	44 15 4	14 1 5
1912	577,232	26,539,640	3,158,626	45 19 6	15 5 3
†1913	647,124	29,568,282	3,028,642	45 13 10	16 6 10
†1914	717,737	33,167,523	3,599,241	46 4 3	17 17 2
†1915	755,835	35,562,649	2,395,126	47 1 0	19 0 9
†1916	806,882	37,363,272	1,800,623	46 6 1	20 0 8
†1917	872,351	40,836,747	3,473,475	46 16 3	21 17 4
†30th Sep., 1917	†885,891	†41,287,811	†451,064	†46 12 1	†22 0 4
†31st Dec., 1917	†892,033	†41,132,275	†(-)155,536	†46 2 3	...
† „ 1916	†835,684	†37,949,373	†483,327	†45 7 11	†20 11 0

† Includes returns from Savings Bank Branch of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

‡ Information at end of quarter.

No. 34.—State Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1½	47,487,030
1909	3,623	47,612,666	2,075,626	15,074,144	2 9	52,951,556
1910	3,643	48,925,348	2,209,306	15,468,026	2 10½	53,644,271
1911	3,761	50,971,894	2,351,144	17,006,697	2 9½	60,919,628
1912	3,832	53,514,903	2,321,882	18,521,320	2 6	70,706,728
1913	3,930	57,653,778	2,104,104	19,184,247	2 2½	79,490,012
1914	3,967	61,264,869	2,332,421	20,549,695	2 3½	86,328,421
1915	4,134	65,583,274	2,305,349	20,420,023	2 3	88,774,451
1916	4,188	68,825,592	2,344,910	21,556,034	2 2½	92,850,838
1917	4,437	72,006,621	2,464,725	20,300,717	2 5½	96,709,846
* Sept., 1917	4,437	72,006,621	402,832	3,029,393	2 7½	20,433,039
* Dec., 1917	4,580	72,006,621	837,795	4,892,286	3 5	22,863,583
* „ 1916	4,309	68,825,592	504,901	4,558,711	2 2½	23,696,976

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 35.—State Tramways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Tramway miles run.	Net earnings per tram mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	129	3,669,524	180,754	16,620,434	0 2½	155,017,982
1908	133	3,732,991	202,929	17,521,410	0 2½	172,020,932
1909	151	4,252,731	222,005	18,853,621	0 2½	186,318,738
1910	166	4,668,797	201,981	20,579,386	0 2½	201,151,021
1911	190	5,121,586	221,682	22,541,429	0 2½	230,275,938
1912	195	5,664,324	249,980	24,362,219	0 2½	266,789,546
1913	208	6,699,305	182,376	26,954,767	0 1½	294,455,452
1914	212	7,628,653	265,131	28,415,476	0 2½	310,592,698
1915	220	7,970,293	374,774	26,842,974	0 3½	289,282,845
1916	221	8,166,423	388,978	26,451,442	0 3½	292,021,774
1917	224	8,309,629	317,172	25,361,992	0 3	295,303,714
* Sept., 1917	224	8,309,629	22,509	3,800,354	0 2	48,308,318
* Dec., 1917	225	8,309,629	97,015	5,665,573	0 4	65,620,900
* „ 1916	223	8,166,423	64,631	6,241,093	0 2½	73,255,913

* Information at end of quarter.

No. 36.—Area under Crop.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane Cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	Potatoes.	All Crops.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,172	4,951	36,815	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	542,761	4,644	31,917	2,570,137
1909	1,394,056	180,812	59,881	6,951	715,896	4,472	26,301	2,713,971
1910	1,990,180	212,797	81,452	6,480	630,664	4,561	35,725	3,174,864
1911	2,128,826	213,217	77,991	5,596	638,577	4,354	44,452	3,381,921
1912	2,380,710	167,781	71,047	5,244	654,149	4,260	43,148	3,629,170
1913	2,231,514	176,471	85,175	6,137	947,062	4,403	34,124	3,737,269
1914	3,205,397	156,820	103,410	6,198	801,130	4,498	38,725	4,568,841
1915	2,758,024	143,663	43,476	6,012	785,944	4,113	30,418	4,808,627
1916	4,188,865	154,130	58,636	6,030	1,108,919	3,501	19,589	5,794,835
1917	3,806,604	155,378	67,111	5,223	858,532	3,442	22,449	5,163,030

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 37.—Production of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,574	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	114,856	7,517,550
1908	9,155,884	4,527,852	851,776	277,390	376,800	778,500	55,882	6,587,990
1909	15,483,276	5,216,038	1,119,558	144,760	730,014	736,262	71,794	8,318,900
1910	28,532,029	7,098,255	1,966,586	131,081	981,201	808,870	100,143	10,908,320
1911	27,913,547	7,594,130	1,702,706	160,311	843,080	805,600	121,033	9,493,060
1912	25,088,102	4,507,342	1,155,226	147,799	728,474	850,210	75,166	9,748,820
1913	32,487,336	5,111,990	1,674,075	140,914	1,108,275	719,100	91,642	11,816,790
1914	38,020,381	4,453,309	1,835,406	185,970	955,047	561,100	106,849	12,377,650
1915	12,830,530	3,174,825	513,910	181,606	613,262	549,140	40,709	10,031,760
1916	66,764,910	3,773,600	1,345,698	157,748	1,573,938	571,000	44,445	20,362,360
1917	36,598,000	4,333,480	1,084,980	143,558	1,174,050	628,950	45,331	11,487,830

No. 38.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£ s. d.
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'34	1'36	230	3'11	2 13 3
1908	6'6	28'1	11'2	27'97	0'69	168	1'75	2 11 3
1909	11'4	28'8	18'7	20'83	1'02	165	2'73	3 1 3
1910	14'3	33'4	24'1	20'23	1'56	177	2'80	3 2 9
1911	13'1	35'6	21'8	28'65	1'32	185	2'72	2 16 2
1912	10'5	26'0	16'3	28'18	1'11	200	1'74	2 13 9
1913	14'6	29'0	19'7	22'96	1'17	163	2'68	3 3 3
1914	11'0	28'4	17'7	30'00	1'19	125	2'76	2 14 2
1915	4'7	22'1	11'8	30'21	0'78	134	1'34	2 1 9
1916	15'9	24'5	23'0	26'16	1'42	163	2'27	3 10 3
Av'ge for 10 years	11'8	29'4	19'0	25'37	1'17	172	2'41	2 17 9
1917	9'6	27'9	16'2	27'49	1'37	183	2'02	2 4 6

No. 39.—Live Stock.

Period.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st Dec., 1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
" 1907	578,326	756,916	1,994,277	44,461,839	216,145
" 1908	591,045	777,149	2,178,785	43,370,797	215,822
" 1909	604,784	794,549	2,233,178	46,202,578	237,849
" 1910	650,636	866,030	2,274,277	45,560,969	321,632
" 1911	689,004	894,744	2,299,492	44,947,287	371,093
" 1912	716,457	852,782	2,188,052	39,044,502	293,653
" 1913	746,170	822,667	2,000,073	39,850,223	288,090
30th June, 1915	733,341	850,957	1,626,635	33,009,038	286,704
" 1916	719,542	835,719	1,570,051	32,600,729	281,158
" 1917	733,791	854,632	1,911,311	36,196,383	359,763

* The figures for the last ten years are made up as follow :—

Period.	Milch Cows.		Dry Dairy Cows		Heifers within 3 months of calving.		Total Dairy Cows.
31st Dec., 1907	..	506,395	..	206,828	..	43,693	756,916
" 1908	..	527,843	..	208,840	..	40,466	777,149
" 1909	..	566,378	..	189,507	..	38,664	794,549
" 1910	..	632,786	..	193,657	..	39,587	866,030
" 1911	..	638,525	..	218,593	..	37,626	894,744
" 1912	..	620,730	..	201,310	..	30,742	852,782
" 1913	..	600,420	..	189,769	..	32,478	822,667
30th June, 1915	..	426,173	..	344,247	..	80,537	850,957
" 1916	..	426,227	..	317,368	..	92,124	835,719
" 1917	..	424,033	..	319,230	..	111,369	854,632

No. 40.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1906	325,441,000	487,830	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	367,446,000	490,430	60,041,449	4,586,857	10,358,526
1908	338,129,000	420,630	61,380,876	4,763,360	9,488,299
1909	370,808,000	640,110	62,865,608	4,775,268	9,931,377
1910	415,338,000	742,200	76,624,830	5,191,089	12,620,067
1911	371,546,000	729,330	83,204,568	5,460,652	16,102,827
1912	326,804,000	568,500	76,609,528	5,454,685	16,526,376
1913	357,985,000	795,020	77,779,197	6,620,648	15,192,263
Jany. to June, 1914	131,810,000*	348,680*	42,427,000*	2,882,000*	6,587,000*
1914-15	318,935,000	711,850	84,134,280	6,356,627	15,327,048
1915-16	262,045,000	274,000	59,631,543	5,979,636	13,576,641
1916-17	270,525,000	...	79,364,471	7,830,239	15,788,156

*Partly estimated.

No. 41.—Persons employed permanently in Rural Occupations.

Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1906	111,625	19,817	131,442	1912	129,174	25,204	154,378
1907	117,522	21,341	138,863	1913	127,414	24,218	151,632
1908	120,106	20,809	140,915	1914	128,029	25,428	153,457
1909	119,836	22,317	142,153	1915	122,510	23,792	146,302
1910	123,769	22,573	146,342	1916	119,277	24,147	143,424
1911	126,548	24,632	151,180	1917	116,092	26,077	142,169

No. 42.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter† (Finest Quality).		Wool.		Tallow.
			Average Top.	Average Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
March, 1917	82 0	23 5 6	209½	204½	20	2 2½	45 2
April, "	82 0	25 0 0	191	...	19½	2 3	46 9
May, "	83 0	27 17 0	192	...	18½	2 3½	47 3
June, "	83 0	28 2 6	185	...	17½	2 1	46 10
July, "	84 0	28 18 6	191½	...	18½	2 2½	47 7
August, "	84 0	28 18 6	204½	...	18½	2 2½	49 11
September, "	77 6	*	§ 206	...	†...	†...	†...
October, "	79 0	*	§ 206	...	†...	†...	†...
November, "	79 0	*	§ 220	...	†...	†...	†...
December, "	79 0	*	¶ 1252	...	†...	†...	†...
January, 1918	80 6	*	¶ 1252	...	†...	†...	†...
February, "	*	*	¶ 1252	...	†...	†...	†...
March, "	*	*	¶ 1252	...	†...	†...	†...

* No quotations. † Average price for Australian Butter only. No separate quote received for N.S. Wales Butter.
 § Froclaimed price. ‡ Not available. ¶ Government flat rate for all imported butter.

No. 43.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).*	Flour (In 150 lb. bags).	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	Hay (Oaten).
	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.
March, 1917	4 9	11 2 6	9 0	12 0	2 10½	3 3	3 17 6
April, "	4 9	11 2 6	9 0	12 0	2 6½	3 0½	4 2 6
May, "	4 9	11 1 9	8 8	13 2	2 10	3 3½	5 13 6
June, "	4 9	11 0 0	8 4	13 2	2 10½	3 5	5 10 0
July, "	4 9	11 0 0	8 4	13 2	2 10½	3 3½	4 18 3
August, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 3½	3 11½	4 17 6
September, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 4½	4 4½	5 1 3
October, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 6½	4 5½	4 5 9
November, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 6½	4 6½	5 6 9
December, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 8½	5 2½	6 3 3
January, 1918	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 5½	5 3½	5 0 0
February, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	3 7½	5 3½	4 15 0
March, "	4 9	11 0 0	9 6	13 2	4 0½	5 2½	5 0 0
	Potatoes (Local).	Butter (Good Brands)	Cheese (Prime).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.	
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	“Norths and Souths.” per doz. s. d.	New Laid. per doz. s. d.
March, 1917	4 4 3	16	9½	12	10½	1 3	1 8½
April, "	5 16 9	16	9½	11 7½	10½	1 5	2 2½
May, "	4 13 6	16½	9½	11 3½	11½	1 7½	2 4½
June, "	5 0 0	17	9½	10 7½	11½	1 4½	1 9
July, "	4 13 3	17	9½	10 7½	11	1 3	1 5½
August, "	6 13 3	17	9½	11 1½	10½	0 11	1 0½
September, "	6 1 9	16½	10½	12	10½	0 10	0 11½
October, "	7 18 3	16½	11½	12	10½	0 9½	0 10½
November, "	5 14 3	16	10½	12	10½	0 9½	1 0
December, "	4 6 9	16	9½	12	10½	0 10½	1 1½
January, 1918	5 15 0	16	9	12	9½	0 11½	1 3½
February, "	5 0 0	16	9½	12 1½	8½	1 1½	1 7½
March, "	6 13 3	16	9½	13	9½	1 5	1 10½

* Since the 25th March, 1916, the official f.o.b. price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 10½d. per bushel. This includes 3½d. handling and commission charges; but city millers, handling grain for their own mills, obtain it for 1½d. per bushel less than the f.o.b. price, so that since that date the price of wheat for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 9d. per bushel (on trucks), Sydney.

No. 44.—Gold produced, January to March, and Minerals exported January to March.

Gold yield during the years 1917 and 1918.

Month.	1918.		1917.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January and February	12,529	53,221	12,858	54,618
March	7,125	30,265	9,622	40,871
Total for three months	19,654	83,486	22,480	95,489

Exports of Minerals during first quarter, 1917 and 1916.

Exports.	First Quarter, 1917.		First Quarter, 1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
Silver Ingots and Matte oz.	460,669	71,827	709,957	80,011
Silver-lead, Concentrates, &c. tons.	67,012	769,761	32,118	328,237
Lead, in Matte "	4,191	100,584	7,980	204,920
Zinc Concentrates "	60,268	267,819	30,252	143,788
Copper Ingots, and Ore* "	6,375	772,316	4,710	381,370
Tin Ingots and Ore* "	507	86,170	647	100,554
Coal—				
To Australian Ports "	651,489	453,388	615,600	323,734
" Other "	292,460	215,512	268,553	154,691
Total, Export of Coal "	943,949	668,900	884,453	478,425
Grand Total £	...	2,737,377	...	1,714,254

* Information respecting total value of copper and tin ore imported or transferred to this State is not available.

No. 45.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1916 and 1917

Minerals.	1916.		1917.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—		£		£	£	£
Gold oz. fine	108,145	459,370	82,171	349,038	.....	110,332
Silver "	2,801,507	349,367	1,782,004	328,241	...	21,126
Silver—Lead, Ore, Concentrates, &c. ton	249,849	2,935,624	234,881	4,165,324	1,229,700	.....
Lead—Pig, &c. "	25,466	799,632	20,817	616,531	.....	183,101
Zinc Spelter & Concentrates, "	209,741	961,849	113,531	441,486	.....	520,363
Tin Ingots and Ore "	2,129	36,497	2,072	373,695	67,199	.....
Copper, Matte, Ingots, and Ore "	6,171	586,127	6,576	814,151	228,027	.....
Antimony and Ore "	616	13,334	301	3,738	.....	9,596
Bismuth "	30	5,473	20	9,391	3,918	.....
Wolfram "	183	31,163	118	21,682	.....	9,181
Scheelite "	81	13,719	127	23,419	9,700	.....
Molybdenite "	54	22,066	70	31,608	9,542	.....
Platinum oz.	82	687	259	2,072	1,385	.....
Iron ton	52,556	197,085	45,025	247,637	50,552	.....
Iron Oxide "	2,461	2,695	1,431	1,207	.....	1,428
Ironstone Flux "	1,472	1,083	4,482	3,498	2,415	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	8,127,161	3,336,419	8,292,867	4,422,740	1,086,321	.....
Coke "	437,587	387,571	455,587	541,093	153,522	.....
Kerosene Shale "	17,425	17,772	31,661	36,565	18,793	.....
Alunite "	325	1,980	1,788	10,728	8,748	.....
Limestone Flux "	64,928	20,700	74,440	25,746	5,046	...
Marble ... .. "	.....	1,625	.....	770	.....	855
Diamonds carat	1,901	1,375	2,991	2,006	631	.....
Opal ... .. "	.....	21,273	.....	12,522	...	8,751
Sundry Minerals ... .. "	.....	41,370	.....	79,521	38,151	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	10,515,856	.....	12,564,473	2,048,617	.....

NOTE.—The above table does not include lime and Portland cement, valued at £459,866 and £388,246 respectively, in 1916 and 1917. Those items are included in the manufacturing returns.

No. 46.—Value of Minerals Produced, and Total Miners Employed.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.	Total Miners Employed.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	No.
1906	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716	42,546
1907	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290	43,758
1908	954,854	2,160,195	502,812	205,447	3,353,093	8,384,149	38,965
1909	869,546	1,653,615	424,737	211,029	2,618,596	7,403,210	36,405
1910	802,211	1,861,479	486,257	228,156	3,009,657	8,455,170	37,413
1911	769,353	2,442,764	590,102	307,089	3,167,165	9,409,519	37,017
1912	702,129	3,481,266	579,791	338,074	3,660,015	11,228,677	37,858
1913	635,703	3,808,125	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,651,407	38,880
1914	528,873	3,241,263	274,671	267,130	3,737,761	10,038,020	36,467
1915	562,819	2,631,662	234,437	266,780	3,424,630	9,603,230	31,411
1916	459,370	3,284,991	586,127	306,497	3,336,419	10,515,856	31,304

No. 47.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of the whole year 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.					General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1917.							
March ...	...	...	...	...	2,061	2,182	2,125
April ...	...	...	...	...	2,049	2,193	2,128
May ...	...	...	...	...	2,089	2,200	2,184
June ...	...	...	...	...	2,078	2,163	2,190
July ...	...	...	...	...	2,083	2,173	2,193
August ...	...	...	...	...	2,128	2,204	2,203
September ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
October ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
November ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
December ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
1918.							
January ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
February ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*
March ...	...	...	...	...	*	*	*

* Not available.

No. 48.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1906	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,407,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
1907	4,432	65,953	20,514	86,467	9,155,772	6,650,715	40,018,301
1908	4,453	67,616	21,482	89,098	9,718,842	7,218,556	40,163,826
1909	4,581	69,184	22,518	91,702	10,330,724	7,665,125	42,960,689
1910	4,821	75,384	24,327	99,711	11,578,620	8,687,007	49,615,643
1911	5,039	82,083	26,541	108,624	12,510,600	10,047,662	54,346,011
1912	5,162	88,178	27,383	115,561	13,795,195	11,592,052	61,163,328
1913	5,346	93,036	27,364	120,400	14,861,676	12,683,384	65,672,495
1914-15	5,269	90,409	26,202	116,611	16,866,982	12,667,721	68,253,332
1915-16	5,210	87,724	28,677	116,401	18,211,104	13,413,845	70,980,864
* 1916-17	5,333	88,698	29,034	117,732	19,372,430	† 14,196,607	†

* See also Table 49.

† Of this amount males received £12,546,052, and females £1,650,555.

‡ Not yet available.

No. 49.—Manufacturing Industries, 1916-17.

Class of Industry.	Establishments.	Persons Employed.			Salaries and Wages.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	257	3,553	101	3,654	456,511
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	37	1,022	264	1,286	149,093
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	279	5,245	84	5,329	673,194
Working in Wood	642	6,922	94	7,016	844,724
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	598	26,796	464	27,260	4,241,522
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	779	11,358	4,065	15,423	1,835,059
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	1,039	7,215	18,978	26,193	2,053,820
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	457	6,944	2,570	9,514	1,063,302
Musical Instruments, &c.	14	385	49	434	59,182
Arms and Explosives	5	1,406	4	1,410	239,492
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	438	3,895	154	4,049	463,901
Ship and Boat Building	35	4,208	20	4,228	681,250
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	256	3,116	533	3,649	393,758
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	109	1,080	792	1,872	201,805
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	17	106	40	146	17,336
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	52	599	90	689	89,171
Heat, Light, and Power	200	3,365	24	3,389	523,987
Leatherware, n.e.i.	25	418	184	602	57,703
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	94	1,065	524	1,589	151,797
Total	5,333	88,698	29,034	117,732	14,196,607†
	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant,	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	436,484	†6,465,811	59,232	7,821,340	1,296,297
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	362,441	1,273,132	35,023	1,733,295	425,140
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	1,188,178	441,288	209,271	1,793,484	1,142,925
Working in Wood	835,012	1,882,820	28,542	3,551,891	1,640,529
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	5,695,381	13,418,374	574,591	21,521,031	7,528,066
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	3,854,246	23,016,915	272,090	27,766,641	4,477,636
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	629,849	4,231,545	54,896	7,653,639	3,367,198
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	1,278,659	1,532,117	41,576	3,503,768	1,930,075
Musical Instruments, &c.	14,531	100,566	851	193,283	91,866
Arms and Explosives	144,913	59,268	4,874	406,470	342,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	167,177	453,291	14,492	1,129,023	661,240
Ship and Boat Building	716,186	366,483	21,266	1,085,373	697,624
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	87,582	636,251	10,530	1,195,933	549,152
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	253,006	986,603	16,640	1,677,561	674,318
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	7,930	16,720	239	48,385	31,426
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	27,913	108,486	2,058	238,247	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power	3,549,549	761,940	414,868	3,202,491	2,025,683
Leatherware, n.e.i.	13,780	217,608	1,135	326,008	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	109,613	362,938	7,434	604,269	233,897
Total	£ 19,372,430	56,332,156	1,769,608	85,452,138	27,350,374*

* If £339,984, the value of production of articles already included in primary industries, be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £26,960,390. † Including value of wool treated. ‡ Of this amount, males received £12,546,052, and females £1,650,555.

No. 50.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1917.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1911.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-1917.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	649,759	747,916	929,520	1,296,297
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	266,094	293,626	380,501	425,140
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	422,272	1,083,972	1,324,104	1,234,212	1,142,925
Working in Wood	649,149	1,168,333	1,298,120	1,158,515	1,040,529
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	4,864,882	6,158,527	7,127,261	7,528,060
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,237,369	3,463,455	4,712,822	4,041,122	4,087,652
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	2,517,160	2,811,056	3,179,399	3,367,198
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	959,771	1,440,173	1,542,454	1,783,919	1,950,075
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	76,596	75,316	78,570	91,866
Arms and Explosives	1,480	2,531	108,322	293,368	312,334
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	607,307	633,981	668,784	661,240
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	379,490	768,398	590,082	697,624
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	220,434	516,082	558,196	544,313	549,152
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	74,006	400,454	488,592	555,464	674,318
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	19,172	18,576	23,104	31,420
Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Plated-ware ...	24,698	125,261	130,652	137,849	127,703
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	1,373,532	2,058,987	1,861,874	2,025,683
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	67,373	98,238	105,779	107,265
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	129,837	183,123	233,402	233,897
Total	£ 9,741,598	19,142,463	24,011,006	24,927,038	26,960,390

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 51.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891–1915–16.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral.	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1896	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,516	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,742	38,814
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,601	40,750
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,899	39,381
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,631	46,725
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,906	53,734
1907	22,281	6,588	10,295	3,567	1,708	1,382	45,821	13,481	59,302
1908	18,846	8,319	8,384	4,064	1,732	1,165	42,510	13,633	56,143
1909	19,040	10,908	7,403	3,983	1,990	1,096	44,420	14,536	58,956
1910	21,028	9,493	8,455	4,796	2,119	1,108	46,999	16,794	63,793
1911	19,434	9,749	9,410	5,215	2,055	1,195	47,058	19,143	66,201
1912	19,440	11,817	11,229	5,758	2,089	1,303	51,636	22,464	74,100
1913	20,738	12,378	11,651	5,455	2,416	1,400	54,038	23,482	77,520
1914-15	18,848	10,031	9,603	6,231	2,301	1,307	48,321	24,011	72,332
1915-16	21,576	20,362	10,516	5,473	3,215	1,370	62,512	24,927	87,439

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

No. 52.—Education.

Year.	Public Schools.				Private Schools.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. Scholars.	Expenditure by State on Education.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
				£			
1906 ...	2,885	5,758	207,298	881,581	852	3,557	58,707
1907 ...	2,918	5,918	209,229	922,295	806	3,524	57,440
1908 ...	3,002	6,012	214,495	1,085,020	792	3,501	57,111
1909 ...	3,075	6,176	213,739	1,109,939	789	3,633	58,361
1910 ...	3,105	6,262	214,776	1,191,713	774	3,602	59,247
1911 ...	3,125	6,517	221,810	1,242,576	756	3,659	60,963
1912 ...	3,234	7,048	228,529	1,589,986	754	3,673	61,744
1913 ...	3,285	7,261	241,784	1,686,155	733	3,593	64,591
1914 ...	3,258	7,404	252,697	1,721,441	717	3,674	64,577
1915 ...	3,254	7,890	258,017	1,686,882	718	3,682	64,863
1916 ...	3,188	7,830	264,713	1,860,518	701	3,678	67,704

No. 53.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters and Letter Cards carried.	Post Cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, Books, and Parcels carried.	Miles of Telegraph and Telephone Line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1906 ...	2,288	115,062,748	12,621,096	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506
1907 ...	2,319	122,130,948	15,097,710	48,340,646	37,191,554	15,910	4,894,283
1908 ...	2,368	134,684,520	14,969,312	50,461,252	38,330,311	16,338	5,149,763
1909 ...	2,397	139,058,694	12,511,546	56,002,764	38,849,363	17,087	5,177,962
1910 ...	2,437	151,315,512	12,438,544	66,963,559	40,609,036	17,615	5,607,178
1911 ...	2,490	*189,656,401		71,619,194	38,032,322	18,253	5,863,560
1912 ...	2,559	*192,996,376		68,696,648	34,755,556	18,268	6,364,990
1913 ...	2,596	*212,639,659		64,874,811	40,902,342	19,254	6,573,667
1914 ...	2,623	*217,907,644		66,216,699	36,576,538	20,828	6,703,019
1915-16 ...	2,640	*219,525,661		72,067,335	35,881,119	†	7,027,084
1916-17 ...	2,588	*259,185,729		68,546,782	31,136,805	†	7,152,913

* Includes all articles registered.

† Not available

No. 54.—Prices of Food—Sydney.

Article.	Unit.	Average Retail Price in Sydney.									
		1917.						1918.			1917. Mar.
		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.		Jan.		Feb.	
		s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Bread	2-lb. loaf.	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	4
Flour	25-lb. bag.	3	4	3	4	3	6·2	3	6·7	3	6·7
„ self-raising ...	2 lb.	0	6	0	6·4	0	6·2	0	6·4	0	6·6
Tea	lb.	1	6·2	1	6·2	1	6·2	1	6·2	1	6·5
Coffee and Chicory ...	„	1	6	1	6	1	6	1	6·2	1	6·2
Cocoa	½ lb.	0	5·6	0	5·6	0	5·9	0	5·9	0	6·1
Sugar (small quantities)	lb.	0	3·5	0	3·5	0	3·5	0	3·5	0	3·5
Rice	„	0	3·4	0	3·4	0	3·4	0	3·4	0	3·4
Sago	„	0	4·2	0	4·4	0	4·7	0	4·7	0	4·6
Jam (Australian) ...	„	0	5·6	0	5·6	0	5·7	0	5·7	0	5·7
Oatmeal	5 lb. bag.	1	1·4	1	1·4	1	1·4	1	1·4	1	2·3
Raisins	lb.	0	7·7	0	7·6	0	7·6	0	7·6	0	7·6
Currants	„	0	8·2	0	8·1	0	8·1	0	8·1	0	8·1
Starch	„	0	7	0	7	0	7	0	6·7	0	7
Blue	doz. sqs.	0	9·6	0	10	0	10	0	10·5	0	10·5
Candles	lb.	0	9·6	0	9·6	0	9·7	0	10	0	10·1
Soap	„	0	4·1	0	3·8	0	4·2	0	4·1	0	4·1
Potatoes	14 lb.	1	6	1	6·5	1	5·3	1	4·5	1	4·5
Onions	lb.	0	3·3	0	2·5	0	1·7	0	1·7	0	1·7
Kerosene	gallon.	2	0·2	2	0·2	2	0·3	2	0·3	2	1·2
Milk	quart.	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6	0	6
Butter	lb.	1	6·9	1	6·4	1	6·5	1	6·4	1	6·3
Cheese (new & matured)	„	1	2	1	1·2	1	0·5	0	11·8	0	11·7
Eggs, new laid ...	doz.	1	1·7	1	2·5	1	4·5	1	7·8	1	11·2
„ fresh	„	0	10·7	0	11·5	1	1·5	1	4·8	1	8·2
Bacon (middle cut) ...	lb.	1	4·2	1	4·2	1	4·2	1	4·1	1	4·4
„ (shoulder)	„	0	11	0	10·8	0	11	0	11·2	0	11·8
Ham	„	1	5	1	5	1	6·1	1	6·1	1	6·2
Beef, fresh—Sirloin ...	„	1	0	0	11·3	0	11	0	11·4	0	11·5
„ Ribs	„	0	10·5	0	9·8	0	9·5	0	9·9	0	10
„ Gravy	„	0	9·2	0	9	0	8·5	0	8·9	0	9
Steak—Rump	„	1	4	1	3·9	1	3	1	3·5	1	3·5
„ Shoulder	„	0	9·6	0	9·5	0	9	0	9·4	0	9·5
Beef (corned round) ...	„	0	9·4	0	9·1	0	9·2	0	9·6	0	9·2
Mutton—Leg	„	0	9·1	0	8·8	0	8·2	0	8·4	0	8·5
„ Shoulder	„	0	7·7	0	7·3	0	7	0	7·4	0	7·5
„ Loin	„	0	10·1	0	9·6	0	9·2	0	9·6	0	9·4
„ Neck	„	0	9·1	0	8·5	0	8·5	0	8·3	0	8
Chops—Loin	„	0	10·7	0	10·3	0	10	0	10·3	0	10
„ Leg	„	0	10·7	0	10·3	0	9·9	0	9·8	0	9·5
„ Neck	„	0	8·9	0	8·3	0	8	0	8·3	0	8
Lamb—Forequarter ...	„	0	9·5	0	9	0	8·5	0	9·1	0	9·2
„ Hindquarter	„	0	11	0	10·8	0	9·5	0	10·3	0	10·5
Pork, fresh—Leg	„	1	2·2	1	1·5	1	1·5	1	1·5	1	2·5
„ Chops	„	1	5	1	4·8	1	4	1	4	1	3·7

NOTE.—The above averages are based on city prices; the suburban rates are higher. Prices of Groceries represent the predominant rates ruling about the 15th of each month.

No. 55.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The rates of wages shown below, with few exceptions, have been fixed by Wages Boards.

Bakers (bread)—68/- to 90/- per week; (apprentices), 10/- to 40/- per week; (biscuit factories), 62/6 to 67/6 per week.	Waiters, 27/6 to 51/6 per week.	Hotel employees provided with board, or 14s. per week additional in lieu thereof.
Blacksmiths, 52/6 to 80/- per week.	Waitresses, 7/6 to 24/- per week.	
Boilermakers—1/4½ to 1/6 per hour, 1d. per hour additional, dirt money.	Barmen, 41/6 per week.	
Bookbinders, 62/6 to 70/- per week.	Barmaids, 29/- per week.	
Boot & Shoe makers—Male, 1/4½ per hr.; females, 31/- to 38/6 per week.	Storemen, 42/6 to 50/- per week.	
Brass Finishers, 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Kitchenmen, 41/6 to 45/- per week.	Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")
Brassmoulders, 1/3 and 1/4½ per hour.	Ironworkers, 1/1½ to 1/6½ per hour.	
Bread-carters (42 to 54 hours per week), min. 57/- to 75/-	Jam Factory Workers—	
Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, adult males, 41/- to 62/- per week; adult females, 20/- per week.	Males, adults, 54/- to 70/-; boys, 20/- to 36/- per week, or piece-work rates.	
Bricklayers, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.	Females, adults, 23/-; girls, 17/-; female filers, 25/- and 33/- per week.	
Brick-carters, 1 horse, 55/6 per week; 2 horses, 60/- per week; 3 horses, 67/6; 4 horses, 75/-; 4/- per week extra for each additional horse.	Labourers—General, 1/-, 1/1½, 1/3 to 1/9 per hour.	
Brickmakers—	Letter-press Machinists, min. 55/- to 65/- per wk.	
Burners, 11/3 to 17/3 per shift; machine men, 1/4½ to 1/5½ per hr.; pitmen, 1/5 to 1/6½ per hr.	Lithographers, min. 62/6 and 75/- per week.	
Brushmakers, 1/5 to 1/7 per hour, or 66/- to 70/- per week, or piece-work rates.	Malt-house Hands, 48/- to 60/- per week.	
Butchers (city), without board, 60/- to 72/6	Marble-workers, 1/5½ to 1/7½ per hour.	
" (country), 55/- to 70/-	Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/7½ to 1/9½ per hour.	
" Slaughtermen—Mutton 19/9 to 33/- per hundred; Beef, £5; Pork, £5 per week.	Millers (Bread), 63/- to 83/6 per week; (Engineers), 10/- to 11/6 per day.	
Carpenters and Joiners, 1/8 to 1/9½ per hour; bridge work, 1/8, 1/9½, and 1/11 per hour.	Navvies, 8/- to 9/6 per day.	
Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")	Painters (General), 1/6½ per hour.	
Cabinetmakers, min. 67/-.	Patternmakers, 1/6½ to 1/8 per hour.	
Chairmakers, min. 67/-.	Plasterers, 1/9 to 1/10 per hour.	
Cigarmakers, 2/6 to 7/6 per 100, acc'dg to shape.	Plumbers, Journeymen, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.	
Clerks—Males, 63/-; females, 35/- per week.	Quarrymen, 1/8 per hour.	
" Junior (15 to 23 years)—Males, 9/6 to 64/-; females, 6/6 to 38/6 per week.	Saw-mill Employees—Machinists, 61/6 to 75/-; Saw Sharpeners, 60/6 to 74/-; Sawyers, 60/6 to 72/- per week.	
Coach-painters, 1/4½ per hour.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan and Country)	
Coachsmiths, 1/4½ per hour.	Males, 10/- to 65/-; Females, 7/6 to 43/9 per wk.	
Coal-lumpers, 1/7½ per hour, day work; 2/3 per hour, night work.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan Drapers, &c.), adults—Males, 57/- to 66/6 per week.	
Coke-lumpers, 1/7½; night work, 2/3 per hour.	Females, 27/6 to 38/6 per week.	
Compositors (hand)—Journeymen, 73/6 per week.	Slaters and Tilers, 1/7½ to 1/9 per hour.	
" " Piecework, 1/2½ to 1/3½ per 1,000 ens.	Stevedores—Foremen, £4 and £5 per week.	
Compositors (machine)—Linotype (newspapers), (piece rate) 3½d., (jobbing), 3½d. per 1,000 ens.	Storemen, per week—Wharf, 61/6: Wool, 62/- to 70/6; Bonded Store, 60/-; Produce (Retail other than Grocery) Storemen, 54/- to 65/-, Packer, 54/- to 61/-; Grocery, 50/-; Hardware, 58/6 to 90/-, Packer, 60/-, Softgoods (Wholesale) Storemen, 58/6 to 88/6; Packer, 55/- to 90/-; Wine and Spirit Storemen, 56/6 to 68/6.	
" " Operators, 1/8 to 1/9 per hour.	Tailors—Journeymen, 60/- to 67/6 per week, or log rates.	
Coopers (piecework, log rates), 1/4½ to 1/6½ per hr.	" Cutters & Trimmers, 57/6 to 85/- per wk.	
Coppersmiths, 1/6 to 1/8 per hour.	" Pressers, 54/- to 65/- per week.	
Dockers and Painters, 1/3 to 1/8 per hour; overtime, time and half.	" Piece-work—log rates.	
Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 30/- to 40/- per wk.	
Electricians—Mechanics, 1/3½ to 1/8½ per hour.	" (trousers hands), order, 25/- to 34/- p. wk.	
Fitters, 1/8½ per hour.	" Ready-made clothing for men—	
Engine-drivers (staty., &c.), 1/0½ to 1/9½ per hour.	Journeywomen on coats, 32 6 p. wk.	
Firemen " 1/0½, 1/2½, and 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on trousers and vests, 28/- per week.	
Farriers—Firemen, 1/5½ to 1/7 per hour.	" Piece-work—log rates.	
" Floormen, 1/4½ to 1/5½ "	Textile Workers—Males, 52/6; fem., 26/- per wk.	
French-polishers, 67/- per week.	Tinsmiths, 1/0½ to 1/4½ per hour.	
Glass-workers, 1/3½ to 1/7 per hour.	Trolly and Draymen—Coal Carters—1 horse, 52/- to 59/- per week; 2 horses, 55/- to 64/- per week; 3/- per week for each extra horse.	
Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/2 per hour.	Timber-carters, 1 horse, 60/6; 2 horses, 65/6; 3 horses, 69/-; 4 horses, 72/6 per week.	
Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	Casual Drivers—1 horse, 11/- per day, with 1/- per day extra for each additional horse.	
Hairdressers (52 hours per week), 58/- to 68/-	Tip-carters, 1 horse, 50/- to 60/-; 2 horses, 55/- to 65/-; 6d. per day extra for each additional horse.	
Hotel, Club, Restaurant, & Tea Room Employees—	Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.	
Cooks (male), 44/3 to 100/- per week.	Upholsterers, 67/- to 73/- per week.	
Cooks (female), 20/- to 3-fifths rate for males, per week.	Wharf Labourers—Casual employees, 1/9 per hour; constant or weekly hands, 3/16 per week.	
	Wheelwrights, 1/3 per hour.	

No. 56.—Meteorology.

District.	March, 1918.					March — (Mean, 1908-1917).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
Grafton	71·4	80·7	62·2	3·33	18	73·9	4·28	9	67·5	34·38
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	2·68	6	64·1	29·11
Cumberland—										
Sydney	68·2	75·6	60·8	2·48	11	69·6	4·27	13	63·0	48·08
South Coast—										
Bega	65·8	80·5	51·1	1·16	8	67·7	5·86	8	60·5	32·92
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	61·6	73·6	49·7	0·79	5	63·3	2·39	8	56·3	31·92
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst... ..	63·6	80·2	47·1	0·58	3	64·0	1·87	5	57·2	23·72
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	62·8	75·6	50·0	0·62	5	64·0	2·77	6	56·1	24·96
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	68·4	85·3	51·5	0·79	2	73·2	1·99	5	65·4	24·42
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	70·8	84·3	57·4	0·68	4	71·7	1·75	4	63·5	22·37
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	64·4	81·4	47·4	1·31	5	69·8	1·43	4	62·1	21·35
North-western Plain—										
Moree	74·4	88·8	60·1	0·83	3	75·4	3·41	5	67·3	23·46
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	75·4	89·8	61·1	0·20	2	73·8	1·18	4	65·9	19·60
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	67·6	80·0	55·2	1·79	8	68·8	1·04	5	61·7	16·08

No. 57.—New Buildings erected in Metropolis—Annual.

Year.	Returns of Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Municipal Returns.			
	Buildings erected and assessed.	Cost of Buildings, including additions to old Buildings.	Buildings for which permission to build was granted.	Estimated Cost of New Buildings.	Estimated Cost of Alter- ations and Additions.	Total Cost, Buildings, Alterations, and Additions.
		£		£	£	£
1912	7,773	5,069,000	8,339	4,988,000	636,000	5,624,000
1913	7,853	5,917,000	9,342	6,512,000	815,000	7,327,000
1914	8,831	6,162,000	8,548	5,236,000	586,000	5,822,000
1915	6,141	4,664,000	6,066	3,850,000	548,000	4,398,000
1916	5,043	4,037,000	5,051	3,395,000	519,000	3,914,000
1917	4,331	3,184,000	4,811	3,150,000	341,000	3,491,000

No. 58.—New Buildings—Metropolis—Monthly.

Month.	1918.			1917.		
	City.	Suburbs.		City.	Suburbs.	
		No.	Value.		No.	Value.
			£			£
January	7	377	229,700	3	366	195,596
February	6	360	230,199	13	398	212,773
March	4	449	280,501	12	520	297,607
Total (three months) ...	17	1,186	740,400	28	1,284	705,976

No. 59.—New Buildings—Metropolis—each Municipality.

NUMBER and Value of New Buildings and of Alterations and Additions in each Municipality during the three months, January to March.

Municipality.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1917.	New Buildings (to erect which permission granted).				Alterations and Additions.			
		1918.		1917.		1918.		1917.	
		No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
City of Sydney ...	106,000	17	£ x	28	£ *	114	£ x	122	£ *
Alexandria ...	11,450	2	3,470	3	2,340	11	1,630	18	1,205
Annandale ...	12,480	1	540	6	2,725	5	495	2	15
Ashfield ...	28,440	63	39,725	81	55,097	50	2,501	39	1,749
Balmain ...	33,380	3	2,200	9	7,685	10	394	24	844
Bexley ...	11,100	34	17,265	55	25,965	11	1,065	14	530
Botany ...	5,750	0	7,850	13	7,770	14	2,231	24	1,804
Burwood ...	12,990	38	23,428	20	13,550	23	1,567	20	940
Canterbury ...	26,580	154	74,538	112	43,270	44	3,288	49	2,330
Concord ...	6,820	56	31,846	28	16,846	25	1,234	30	2,489
Darlington ...	3,840	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	1	5	Nil.	...
Drummoyne ...	13,990	30	19,535	59	34,886	14	1,151	9	483
Eastwood ...	1,480	5	2,450	9	3,570	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Enfield ...	5,980	14	7,991	34	12,976	15	755	14	168
Erskineville ...	7,670	1	150	2	600	3	425	4	90
Glebe ...	22,710	3	593	6	4,730	Nil.	...	8	650
Homebush ...	1,120	3	1,650	9	4,325	2	90	2	40
Hunter's Hill ...	5,890	9	5,950	9	4,950	6	945	6	390
Hurstville ...	10,920	42	18,228	40	17,308	20	1,407	19	918
Kogarah ...	13,050	56	29,417	52	19,512	25	2,077	29	2,035
Lane Cove ...	5,160	12	7,700	27	16,080	13	1,290	10	742
Leichhardt ...	27,980	29	13,016	19	7,100	32	2,887	24	1,178
Manly ...	14,110	20	16,645	24	16,910	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Marrickville ...	37,810	39	19,023	27	15,205	21	1,420	15	1,330
Mascot ...	8,920	10	12,105	13	6,140	7	775	23	1,110
Mosman ...	17,260	26	21,945	23	18,075	10	2,035	6	965
Newtown ...	27,890	1	1,000	10	6,440	14	1,211	13	2,208
North Sydney ...	41,330	35	31,275	37	26,225	54	11,309	45	5,728
Paddington ...	25,880	7	4,750	1	23	9	1,144	4	285
Petersham ...	23,980	14	7,230	10	5,745	9	1,008	12	703
Randwick ...	34,200	138	91,331	150	103,480	40	5,928	41	6,787
Redfern ...	25,020	1	550	3	1,150	4	250	7	1,850
Rockdale ...	20,440	50	26,073	42	18,996	30	802	27	695
Ryde ...	9,870	36	18,647	54	22,398	13	1,550	12	782
St. Peters ...	10,730	6	2,375	7	3,475	11	546	8	191
Strathfield ...	5,760	9	6,295	23	11,670	9	3,520	9	3,204
Vaucluse ...	2,640	7	9,000	8	9,184	6	1,090	9	990
Waterloo ...	11,220	12	30,020	4	875	4	245	12	1,242
Waverley ...	28,390	72	38,672	92	43,408	22	5,787	15	3,190
Willoughby ...	21,550	65	41,475	72	38,455	15	1,479	29	1,927
Woollahra ...	20,700	31	29,950	40	30,882	36	7,954	39	4,487
Ku-ring-gai Shire ...	14,820	46	24,500	51	25,955	45	2,205	48	2,365
Total Suburbs ...	671,300	1,186	740,400	1,284	705,976	689	74,795	719	58,705
Total City of Sydney	106,000	17	x	28	*	114	x	122	*
Grand Total ...	777,300	1,203	x	1,312	*	803	x	841	*

* Information is not available.

During the month of March, 1918, the number of new buildings erected was 452, viz., 4 in the City and 449 in the Suburbs. The largest numbers were:—Canterbury, 52; Waverley, 39; Randwick, 33; Burwood, 24; Willoughby, 23; Kurring-gai, Shire, 21; Ashfield and Marrickville, 20 each.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected, and (second) the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of March, 1918, and during the period from 1st January to 31st March, 1918 :—

Description of Holding.	During March, 1918.		1st Jan. to 31st March, 1918.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	14	1,545	33	7,574
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(2)	560	(6)	1,363
Crown Leases—ordinary	40	53,910	83	94,873
" " for returned soldiers
Homestead Farms—ordinary	2	1,376	12	8,714
" " for returned soldiers	7	7,944	11	10,424
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	20	402	51	987
" " for returned soldiers
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)	1	1
Irrigation Farms	2	32	4	58
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area	2	1	2	1
Week-end Leases	8	78
Leases of Town Lands	1	2
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	1	6	6	45
Homestead Selections
Total	88	65,836	212	124,120
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Cond'n'l Purchases (Crown Lands)	39	6,411	48	7,478
Conditional Leases not applied for simultaneously with O.C. Purchases	31	10,312	37	11,444
Additional Homestead Selections	4	3,984	6	4,312
" Settlement Leases	2	3,010	2	3,010
" Crown Leases	1	3,448
" " for returned soldiers
" Homestead Farms	5	3,729	7	4,180
" " for returned soldiers	3	681	3	681
" Suburban Holdings	1	10	1	10
Total	85	28,137	105	31,563
AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.				
Description of Holding.	During March, 1918.		1st Jan. to 31st March, 1918.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Crown Leases—ordinary	54	96,493	117	186,293
" " for returned soldiers
Homestead Farms—ordinary	3	2,167	4	2,267
" " for returned soldiers	11	38,667	12	40,287
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	35	2,699	66	3,117
" " for returned soldiers
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	1	5
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts)
Irrigation Farms
Leases of Town Lands
Week-end Leases
Homestead Selection
Original Conditional Purchase	1	75
Original Conditional Purchase and Con- ditional Lease in virtue thereof	1	150
Total	103	140,026	202	232,104
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Every class of Additional Holdings	61	46,635	133	94,671
Additional Conditional Purchase	1	293	3	354
" Conditional Purchase and Condl. Lease	1	25	2	315
" " " " " " " "
" " for returned soldiers	1	95	1	95
" Homestead Selections	4	3,477	8	5,099
" Settlement Lease
" Suburban Holdings	3	77	4	87
" " for return'd soldiers	4	10	4	10
" Crown Leases	3	8,800	3	8,800
" Homestead Farms	7	5,585	21	19,439
" " for returned soldiers	1	350	4	1,031
Total	86	65,217	138	100,000

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Flour (wholesale)† ...	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	Ton ...	150 lb. bag, £11; 100 lb. bag, £11 5s.; 50 lb. bag, £11 12s. 6d.; 25 lb. bag, £12 6s. 8d.
" (retail) ...	"	"	Bag ...	150 lb., 18s. 10d.; 100 lb., 12s. 11d.; 50 lb., 6s. 11½d.; 25 lb., 3s. 8d.; 1 lb., 1½d.
" (wholesale) ...	"	Remainder of State	Ton ...	From £10 15s. to £12 4s. 2d. } According to locality and size of bag.
" (retail) ...	"	"	Bag ...	" 18s. 10d. to 1½d.
" (wholesale) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	Bag, booked.	Above prices, plus 8d., 6d., 4d., 2d.
Bread† ...	7-12-17	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	2-lb. loaf	3½d. over counter, cash within week; 4d. delivered, cash within week.
" ...	"	Remainder of State	"	Prices according to locality, but mostly same as above.
Biscuits and Confectionery.	15-8-17	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	Booked, above prices plus ½d.
Oatmeal (wholesale)...	5-7-16	"	Ton ...	Same as on 10-8-17.
" (retail) ...	"	"	lb. ...	Plain, £19; flaked, £20 10s.; 1½ cwt. sacks.
Wheatmeal(wholesale)	5-2-18	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	cwt. ...	Plain, 3d.; flaked, 3½d.
" (retail) ...	"	"	Package	14s. to 16s. 6d., according to size of bags or sacks. Various brands excepted.
Semolina (wholesale)	5-2-18	Other places	"	6d. to 24s. 7d., according to size.
" (retail) ...	"	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	cwt. ...	Above prices, plus carriage.
" (at Mill) ...	15-2-18	"	Package	15s. 8d. to 18s. 2d., according to size of bags.
Butter (wholesale)†	25-10-17	Sydney	cwt. ...	In 1 lb. tins, £1 15s.
" (retail) ...	"	"	lb. ...	7d. to 27s. 6d.; in 1 lb. tins, 4½d.
"	"	At butter factories	"	Above prices, plus carriage.
"	"	Other places	b. ...	£1 per ton above the price of flour.
Cheese (wholesale)†	19-1-18	Sydney and Parramatta.	"	First grade, 149s. 4d.; second grade, 140s. 0d.; third grade, 130s. 8d.
" (see note).	"	"	"	First grade, 1s. 6d.; second grade, 1s. 5d.; third grade, 1s. 4d.
"	"	At factory ...	"	Above prices for local trade.
"	"	Other places	"	Purchase prices, plus cost of transport;
" (retail) ...	"	N.S.W. ...	"	Booked, plus ½d.; delivered, another ½d.; ½d. per lb. additional if branded in prints, &c.
Hams (wholesale)†	25-2-18	"	"	Large and Medium, 9d.; Loaf, 11½d.
Bacon†	"	"	"	Above prices, for local trade.
Hams & Bacon (retail)	"	"	"	Price at place of purchase, plus carriage.
Milk (retail)†	31-5-17	Co. Cumberland	"	Above prices, plus 3d.
"	"	Newcastle	"	Cloth, 1s. 4½d.; seed, 1s. 5½d.; Australian and New Zealand.
" (for re-sale) ...	"	Co. Cumberland	"	Sides, 1s. 1d.; Flitches, 1s. 0½d.; Middles, 1s. 3d.; Shoulders, 11d.; Australian and New Zealand.
"	"	Newcastle	"	3½d. more than wholesale prices.
Cream	29-5-15	N.S.W.	lb. ...	Quart, 6d.; pint, 3d.; half pint, 1½d.
" (Nestle's)	16-4-18	Sydney	Tin (4 oz.)	Quart, 5½d.; pint, 3d.; half-pint, 1½d.
Tobacco	16-4-18	N.S.W.	"	1s. 8d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
Condensed Milk	4-8-16	Sydney and Newcastle.	Tin (large)...	1s. 6d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	For other purposes than butter-making, or consumption in N.S.W. The butter value, less 3d. per lb., and less cost of carriage to nearest factory.
" ("Milkmaid")	"	Sydney and Newcastle.	"	Wholesale, 33s. 6d. per dozen; retail 10d. Other sizes in proportion.
Sugar I.A. (wholesale)	19-1-16	Remainder of State	Ton ...	Same as on 1-3-18.
" (retail) ...	"	Metropolitan	lb. ...	From 7d. to 9d., according to brand.
Jam (wholesale)	24-2-16	Remainder of State	Doz. tins	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" (retail) ...	"	N.S.W.	"	Coffee and Milk, 1s. 9d.; Chocolate and Milk, 1s. 6d.; Cocoa and Milk, 1s. 3d.
Infants' and Invalids' Foods (imported).	9-6-17	Sydney	Tin ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Plum Puddings†	23-10-16	Remainder of State	lb. ...	£29 5s.
" (wholesale).	"	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	"	£29 5s., plus actual freight.
" (retail) ...	"	"	"	3½d.
Rice (wholesale)	9-6-17	Rest of State	"	3½d., plus actual freight.
" (retail) ...	"	Sydney	Ton ...	4s. 7d. to 31s. 9d., according to size of tins and brand.
"	"	"	lb. ...	5d. to 3s., according to size of tins and brand.
Rabbits, cleaned but unskinned (see note)	17-3-17	Remainder of State	Pair, over 4 lb.	Wholesale, landed cost, plus 10 per cent.; retail, wholesale prices, plus 20 per cent.
"	"	"	Pair, 3 lb. to 4 lb.	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
Rabbits (frozen)	25-10-17	Sydney	Doz. prs.	1 lb. tin, 1s. 1½d.; other sizes, 1s. 3½d.
Caustic Soda	3-4-18	Sydney	Each...	Above prices, plus cost of carriage.

No. 61.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W.—*continued*.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Baking Powder, free from ammonia, phosphates, and sulphates	12-11-17	Sydney and Newcastle.	Ounce, net ...	Wholesale, in containers 8 oz. or less, 1½d., larger sizes, 1¼d.
Other kinds ...	"	"	Doz. tins ...	Retail, above prices, plus 20 per cent.
All kinds ...	"	Remainder of State	"	Wholesale, from 7s. to 16s. 8d., various sizes.
Brant (wholesale) ...	15-10-17	N.S.W.	Ton ...	Retail, above price, plus 20 per cent.
" (retail) ...	19-11-17	"	Bushel ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Pollard† (wholesale) ...	15-10-17	"	Ton ...	Cash, £4; booked, £4 2s. 6d.
" (retail) ...	19-11-17	"	Bushel ...	Millers' prices, plus 1½d. to 3d.
Chaff, Lucerne ...	10-3-16	Co. Cumberland	Ton ...	Cash, £5 10s.; booked, £5 12s. 6d.
"	"	Newcastle district...	"	Millers' prices, plus 1½d. to 3d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	On rail, £7 10s.; ex store, £5 1s.; elsewhere, £7 10s.*
"	"	"	"	On rail, £7 11s.; ex store, £7 16s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 11s.*
Hay, Lucerne ...	"	Co. Cumberland	"	On rail, £6 10s.; ex store, £7; elsewhere, £6 10s.*
"	"	"	"	On wharf, £6 4s., plus freight.
"	"	"	"	At railway ex truck, £6 17s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	Ex store on dray, £7 8s., plus carriage.
"	"	Newcastle district...	"	Other places, £6 17s. 6d.*
"	"	"	"	Ex store on dray, £7 3s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 3s. 6d.*
"	"	Remainder of State	"	On farm in stack, £5; in bales, £5 12s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	On rail or steamer, £5 17s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	Ex store on dray, £6 7s. 6d., plus carriage.
Chaff and Hay (retail)	"	N.S.W.	Under 1 ton	Elsewhere, £5 17s. 6d.*
Oil—	"	"	"	Wholesale prices, plus 10 per cent.
Kerosene—	"	"	"	"
Companies' price ...	25-3-18	Sydney	8½ gal.	14s. 6d.
Distributors' " ...	"	"	"	15s. 8d., 2½ per cent. disc., 30 days.
Retail " ...	"	Remainder of State	Tin, 4½ gal...	9s.; quart, 7d.
"	"	"	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Benzine (wholesale)...	19-1-18	Sydney	8 gal.	23s. 8d.
" (retail) ...	"	"	8 "	25s. 11d.; per tin of 4 gals., 13s.; under 4 gals., 3s. 4d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Cocoa (retail) ...	25-5-17	Sydney	Pkts. ...	From 6d. to 11d. }
"	"	"	½ lb. tin	From 6d. to 1s. 2d. }
" (Van Houten's)	27-2-18	Remainder of State	"	Other sizes in proportion.
" (Bensdorp's, R.D.)	5-2-18	Sydney	½ lb. tin	Above prices, plus transport.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Wholesale 10%, retail 20% on landed cost.
"	"	"	½ lb. tin	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
"	"	"	"	Wholesale, 12s. 3d. doz.; retail, 1s. 3d. tin.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	23s. doz.; retail, 2s. 4d. tin.
Gas	24-1-18	Sydney and North Sydney.	1,000 cub. ft.	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
"	"	"	"	4s. 1½d.
"	22-3-17	Manly	"	4s. 10½d.
Tin Plates	6-12-16	N.S.W.	Box, 20" x 14"	£1 15s. at ports; elsewhere add cost of transport.
Glaxo and Lactogen	15-2-17	Sydney	Doz. tins	Wholesale, 15s. 6d., 25s. 9d., and 62s.
"	"	"	Tin	Retail, 1s. 6d., 2s. 6d., and 6s
Hides (best salted)	15-10-17	N.S.W.	lb.	25-42 lb., 11d.; others, 10½d.
" (dry)	"	"	"	1s. 1d.
Sulphate of Ammonia	24-1-18	"	Ton	£18. In single bags on buyer's lorries at works.
"	"	"	Ton or less...	£20, retail, at works or store.
Salt	21-12-17	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland	cwt.	Wholesale, 10s.; retail, 2d. lb. South African excluded.
"	"	Remainder of State	Ton	K. M. C., South African, £12.
White Lead	3-4-18	N.S.W.	Ton (in cwt. containers)	Importer's, £82; Wholesale, £88; Retail, £4 17s per cwt., 1s. per lb.
Cases and Tins (Oil), 2nd-hand, to dealers.	3-4-18	"	Each	Case and 2 tins, 1s.; case, 6d.; tin, 3d.
" to others.	"	"	"	1s. 4d.; ,, 8d.; ,, 4d.
Scrap Tin	5-10-17	"	Ton	£30, at seller's door.
Soda Ash	31-10-17	"	"	Landed cost at port of entry, plus £2.
Bicarbonate of Soda...	3-4-18	Sydney	"	Importer to wholesaler 2½%, to retail 10% on landed cost.
"	"	"	"	Wholesaler to retailer, 10% on cost.
" (retail)	"	"	"	20% on cost to retailer.
Broken Glass	3-4-18	N.S.W.	Ton	Plate and window, £2 10s.; other, £2.

* Less carriage to nearest rail.

† Since 6th July, 1916, the Minister of Defence has fixed the prices of commodities under the War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916. Up to the present he has made orders in respect of Bread, Flour, Bran, Pollard, Soap, Butter, Milk, Plum Puddings, Cheese, Bacon, Hams, Glaxo, Lactogen, Rabbits, Oil, Cream, Cocoa, Infants and Invalids' Food, Biscuits, Confectionery, Hides, Sulphate of Ammonia, Galvanized Iron, White Lead, second-hand Oil Cases and Tins, Semolina, Wheatmeal, Soda Ash, Tin, Salt, Bi-carbonate of Soda, Broken Glass, Glass Bottles, Canned Fruit, Caustic Soda, and Tobacco. The prices of all other commodities in the above table remain as fixed by the N.S.W. Necessary Commodities Control Commission, the Minister having adopted those prices when the Commonwealth Government assumed the control of prices under the War Precautions Act. The price of Tallow was fixed at £30 a ton on 5th March, 1917, as from 12th idem, but the proclamation was annulled on 8th idem.

Dates of previous Commonwealth proclamations—

Bread—8-7-16, 10-7-16, 11-8-16, 17-10-16, 25-10-16, 11-1-17, 5-3-17, 5-4-17, 26-4-17, 17-5-17, 30-5-17.
 Flour, Bran, and Pollard—6-7-16, 22-7-16, 7-8-16, 9-8-16, 27-9-16, 15-2-17, 17-5-17, 22-5-17, 19-11-17 (Flour only).
 Butter—21-9-16, 23-10-16, 6-6-17, 7-9-17, 17-9-17, 11-10-17. Milk—27-9-16, 25-10-16. Plum Puddings—27-9-16.
 Cheese—5-10-16, 25-10-16, 28-5-17, 12-6-17, 6-12-17. Soap—31-8-16, 12-12-16, 6-2-17, annulled 5-4-17. Rice—10-1-16. Oil—17-7-16, 10-5-17, 22-8-17. Hides—10-8-17. Galvanized Iron—8-8-17, 25-8-17, repealed 30-10-17.
 Cases—10-10-17, 25-10-17, 31-10-17. White Lead—10-10-17, 12-11-17. Baking Powder—17-7-16. Sulphate of Ammonia, 17-9-17, 3-12-17. Bacon and Hams—23-10-16. Wheatmeal—12-11-17. Semolina—19-11-17.
 Gas—22-2-17. Bicarbonate of Soda—12-1-18. Cream (Nestle's)—8-6-17. Broken Glass—8-2-18.

NOTE.—On the outbreak of the Railway and Tramway strike in August, 1917, the N.S.W. Commission met, after thirteen months' inactivity, and declared the maximum prices of all foodstuffs to be those ruling on 1st August, 1917. As the strike extended, prices were gazetted for the following commodities:—Meat, 17-8-17; Salt, 31-8-17 and 12-10-17; Rabbits, Meat, and Coal, 5-9-17; Methylated Spirits, 9-8-17, 26-9-17, 12-10-17; Cheese, 26-9-17. The proclamation regarding Meat was annulled on 26-10-17, and those of other commodities on 14-11-17.

No. 62.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1916-17.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916-17.
Area, 309,460 square miles.							
Population.							
31st December ... persons	357,978	517,758	782,080	1,162,190	1,376,199	1,698,736	1,857,920
Births ... No.	14,681	20,143	28,993	39,458	37,875	47,677	52,497
" ... rate	41'56	39'04	37'90	34'55	27'71	28'64	...
Deaths ... No.	5,343	6,407	11,536	16,286	16,021	17,179	17,969
" ... rate	15'12	12'61	15'08	14'26	11'72	10'32	...
Marriages ... No.	3,222	3,953	6,284	8,457	10,538	15,267	13,261
" ... rate	9'12	7'78	8'21	7'41	7'71	9'17	...
Agriculture.							
Total area under crop... acres	295,917	393,413	583,868	846,383	2,276,528	3,629,170	5,163,030
Wheat—Area ... "	123,468	154,030	221,887	356,666	1,392,070	2,380,710	3,805,664
Yield ... bshl.	1,606,034	2,229,642	3,405,966	3,963,668	14,808,705	25,088,102	35,598,000
Average ... "	13'0	14'5	15'4	11'1	10'6	10'5	9'6
Maize—Area ... acres	57,959	119,956	117,478	174,577	167,333	167,781	155,378
Yield ... bshl.	1,727,434	4,015,973	4,330,956	5,721,706	3,844,993	4,597,342	4,333,480
Average ... "	29'8	33'5	36'9	32'8	22'9	26'9	27'9
Hay—Area ... acres	45,175	51,805	146,610	163,663	442,163	654,149	858,532
Yield ... tons	57,363	77,460	198,532	209,417	472,621	728,474	1,174,050
Average ... "	1'27	1'50	1'36	1'28	1'07	1'11	1'37
Total value of all Agricultural production	£ *	2,220,000	4,216,000	3,615,000	7,060,000	9,749,000	11,487,830
Total value per acre under crop ...	£ *	5/11/9	7/4/5	4/5/5	3/2/0	2/13/9	2/4/6
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.							
Sheep ... No.	5,615,054	16,278,697	36,591,946	61,831,416	41,857,099	44,947,287	36,196,383
Cattle ... "	2,271,923	2,014,888	2,597,348	2,128,838	2,047,454	3,194,230	2,765,943
Horses ... "	233,220	304,100	398,577	469,447	486,716	689,004	733,791
Pigs ... "	146,001	213,193	213,916	253,189	265,730	371,093	359,763
Production of Wool ... lb.	19,254,800	74,401,300	161,676,000	375,600,000	310,075,000	371,546,000	270,525,000
Value (F.O.B., Sydney)	1,408,000	4,760,000	7,187,200	11,059,300	9,072,100	13,264,000	17,750,000
Production of Butter ... lb.	*	*	*	18,362,897	39,056,878	83,204,568	70,364,471
" Cheese ... "	*	*	*	5,306,071	3,838,835	5,660,652	7,830,239
" Bacon & Ham ... "	*	*	*	6,009,600	11,080,891	16,102,827	15,788,156
Total value of Pastoral and Dairying Production	£ *	8,709,000	13,151,000	17,460,000	15,598,000	24,649,000	27,049,000
Mineral Production.							
Gold ... oz. fine	425,209	294,380	135,033	131,654	173,543	181,121	108,145
" ... £	1,606,171	1,250,485	573,582	559,231	737,104	769,353	459,370
Silver ... c.	...	...	...	729,590	448,501	1,767,496	2,801,507
" ... £	...	...	...	134,850	50,484	177,095	349,467
Silver-lead & ore, &c. ... ton	...	...	...	147,780	417,078	338,469	249,849
" ... £	...	...	...	3,484,739	1,803,979	2,205,669	2,935,624
Copper—ingots & ore, &c. ... ton	...	...	4,124	2,710	6,733	12,100	6,171
" ... £	3,532	11,828	267,884	119,195	412,292	590,102	586,127
Tin—ingots and ore ... ton	...	...	6,433	1,657	659	1,929	2,129
" ... £	...	(2)12,227	568,795	133,963	76,544	307,089	306,497
Zinc—Spelter, Concentrates ... ton	...	...	...	219	632	516,378	209,741
" ... £	...	...	...	2,622	4,057	1,414,980	661,849
Coal ... ton	342,068	898,785	1,769,597	4,037,929	5,968,426	8,661,604	8,127,161
" ... £	218,821	316,340	603,243	1,742,796	2,178,929	3,167,165	3,339,419
Total value of all Mineral Production	£ 2,029,000	1,626,000	2,138,000	6,434,000	5,681,000	9,410,000	10,515,856
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries).							
Production all Primary Industries	£ *	(*) 400,000	(*) 650,000	(*) 758,000	(*) 733,000	3,250,000	4,585,000
" " " per head	£ *	12/955,000	20/155,000	28/267,000	29/072,000	47/058,000	62/512,000
" " " " "	£ *	25/9/10	26/6/11	24/15/-	21/5/4	28/5/5	33 8/5
Land Settlement.							
Alienated holdings—							
1,000 acres and under ... No.	*	*	36,259	46,566	64,950	81,722	84,504
" area	*	*	6,628,310	8,827,066	10,673,563	13,669,311	14,551,620
1,000 to 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	2,046	5,160	4,307	7,803	8,951
" area	*	*	6,990,312	11,370,320	13,305,738	19,551,728	22,452,399
Over 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	449	677	719	708	722
" area	*	*	14,073,587	21,884,299	22,638,524	20,185,845	19,284,960
Manufactories.							
Number of Factories ...	601	1,813	2,961	3,056	3,367	5,039	5,333
Hands employed ... males	*	*	28,619	43,203	54,556	82,123	88,698
" ... females	*	*	2,372	7,676	11,674	26,541	29,034
Salaries and Wages paid ... £	*	*	4,272,704	4,945,079	10,051,161	14,196,607	14,196,607
Value of Machinery and Plant ... £	*	*	4,386,475	5,860,725	12,510,600	19,372,430	19,372,430
Total value of Output ... £	*	*	16,807,132	25,648,471	54,346,011	85,452,138	85,452,138
Value of Production (value added to raw materials) ... £	*	2,424,000	5,025,000	7,799,000	9,742,000	19,143,000	26,060,000
" " " " " per head	£ *	4/15/5	6/11/4	6/10/7	7/2/6	11/10/-	14/9 4
Shipping.							
Inwards, Vessels ... No.	1,327	1,891	2,254	2,602	2,760	3,127	3,045
" ... tons	366,235	706,019	1,456,239	2,752,157	4,133,200	6,822,135	6,552,235
Outwards, Vessels ... No.	1,396	2,123	2,103	2,654	2,853	3,146	3,062
" ... tons	379,462	794,460	1,330,261	2,801,320	4,274,101	6,833,782	6,574,582

* Not available.

(2) Year 1872. (3) Value of Forests and Fisheries only. Other minor industries (poultry, bees, &c.) are included in Pastoral and Dairying.

No. 62.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1916-17—*contd.*

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1916-17.
Trade.							
Imports, Oversea	£ 4,547,813	5,481,655	11,829,007	15,127,641	17,460,207	27,343,428	33,379,698
" per head	£ 12/17/6	10/15/9	15/3/3	13/4/11	12/16/11	16/8/7	17/17/3
Exports, Oversea	£ 3,609,748	5,452,840	9,753,644	14,620,889	18,210,427	32,161,401	40,975,416
" per head	£ 10/8/11	10/14/7	12/15/0	12/16/0	13/6/5	19/6/5	21/18/6
Interstate Transfers, Inwards	£ 2,056,256	4,453,412	5,758,005	10,255,756	9,368,011	*	*
" Outwards	£ 2,918,713	5,808,379	6,554,161	11,323,131	9,140,497	*	*
Produce of New South Wales, exported Oversea. (1)							
Wool (greasy and scoured) lb.	12,745,891	38,323,302	81,906,922	235,470,988	217,285,747	295,315,438	254,633,558
"	£ 1,396,426	2,292,522	4,107,715	7,670,460	7,420,119	11,704,409	13,022,571
Wheat and Flour bus.	28,025	8,445	21,099	54,947	5,204,992	1,324,845	11,773,022
"	£ 9,570	2,414	5,337	11,683	6,079,719	8,519,354	3,386,076
Butter lb.	(2) 53,088	(2) 1,153,040	402,421	401,690	8,699,817	33,044,324	4,395,927
"	£ 2,536	27,415	11,992	17,756	379,341	1,518,993	259,834
Frozen Mutton lb.	...	...	*	*	39,369,792	59,948,989	26,443,085
" ... ..	£ ...	...	*	*	382,385	682,027	543,753
Other Meats	£ 11,536	130,999	191,774	194,013	381,768	607,002	435,716
Tallow	£ 58,393	245,352	244,271	292,072	362,631	871,018	227,317
Leather	£ 6,810	83,899	130,417	130,774	317,327	323,517	538,401
Skins and Hides	£ 77,127	38,115	130,277	376,295	431,232	1,145,138	1,307,114
Minerals and Ores (exclusive of Gold)	£ 65,372	248,996	1,214,085	1,302,076	1,893,314	4,072,531	7,551,045
Timber, undressed	£ 2,221	3,990	12,930	44,437	76,124	243,811	142,990
Public Finance. (3)							
Net Revenue proper	£ 1,421,831	2,215,846	6,551,134	9,773,332	11,007,356	15,797,135	20,537,835
" per head	£ 4/0/6	4/7/2	8/11/3	8/11/2	7/10/11	9/10/0	11/0/5
" Expenditure proper	£ 1,529,788	2,666,948	5,625,749	10,215,820	11,008,173	16,147,279	20,806,033
" per head	£ 4/6/7	5/4/11	7/7/11	8/18/11	8/10/0	9/10/0	11/13/4
Loan Expenditure	£ 409,121	4,878,727	2,397,368	4,750,167	4,939,241	5,491,103	6,862,179
" per head	£ 1/3/2	19/3	3/2/8	4/3/2	3/11/9	3/4/8	3/13/8
Banks.							
Deposits	£ 5,020,692	7,043,886	20,308,017	35,650,690	33,258,456	57,140,156	80,515,452
Advances	£ 5,704,059	4,608,022	29,935,596	45,068,914	35,068,787	46,916,008	63,031,127
Assets	£ 8,809,829	11,592,076	27,870,483	53,596,259	43,437,559	64,881,499	91,084,505
Liabilities	£ 6,292,170	8,016,832	22,394,316	37,589,764	35,077,832	58,349,554	80,493,398
Savings Banks.							
Depositors No.	13,282	24,379	72,384	158,426	306,311	544,023	872,351
Deposits	£ 615,409	945,915	2,698,701	5,342,135	11,808,710	25,031,338	40,839,747
Average per depositor	£ 46/6/8	38/16/0	37/5/8	33/14/5	38/11/0	46/12/4	46/16/3
" per head of population	£ 1/14/5	1/16/6	3/9/0	4/11/11	8/11/7	14/18/7	21/17/4
Railways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	74	359	996	2,197	3,026	3,832	4,437
Capital cost	£ 1,536,032	5,887,258	13,301,597	33,312,608	40,565,073	53,514,993	72,006,021
Passengers carried No.	595,591	759,062	6,907,312	19,018,015	30,885,214	70,706,728	99,709,546
Net Earnings	£ 13,817	158,257	795,892	1,193,044	1,401,317	2,321,882	2,464,725
Net return on capital invested per cent.	90	269	531	358	348	441	350
Tramways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	...	...	91	48	104	195½	224
Capital cost ... ..	£ ...	...	169,450	1,099,659	2,829,363	5,664,324	8,309,629
Passengers carried No.	...	...	7,909,125	71,477,048	108,135,111	266,789,546	295,393,714
Net Earnings ... ..	£ ...	...	10,442	56,799	89,773	249,980	317,172
Net return on capital invested per cent.	...	...	616	528	317	463	385
Postal.							
Number of Offices	340	570	1,128	1,728	2,208	2,490	2,538
Letters and Post Cards dealt with No.	4,369,463	7,509,500	26,534,160	68,987,300	82,783,467	189,656,401	259,185,729
" per head	12/37	14/77	34/68	60/41	60/56	113/94	130/09
Newspapers dealt with No.	3,384,245	3,992,100	16,527,000	42,517,300	52,317,650	71,619,194	68,546,782
" per head	9/58	7/86	21/60	37/23	38/27	43/03	36/78
Telegraphs.							
Number of Stations	36	89	318	674	978	1,406	2,231
Length of wire (5) miles	1,981	5,579	14,278	24,780	46,153	31,123	37,236
Telegrams No.	74,204	218,530	1,607,206	4,046,251	3,449,315	5,803,560	7,152,913
Money Orders.							
Issued in New South Wales	£ ...	203,370	771,978	1,577,744	1,637,488	2,819,183	4,527,557
" Paid	£ ...	271,842	675,025	1,518,987	1,669,730	2,949,264	4,339,944
Public Schools.							
Schools at close of the year	No. 179	659	1,405	2,451	2,818	3,125	3,188
Teachers	No. ...	810	2,199	4,438	5,212	6,517	7,830
Scholars on roll (6)	No. 11,660	39,070	144,119	206,438	210,588	221,810	264,713
Average attendance	No. ...	...	...	122,528	154,404	160,776	200,695
Expenditure by the State on Education, etc.	£ 76,911	151,225	687,422	1,002,379	918,819	1,390,146	1,860,518

* Not available.

(1) The exports in 1914-15 include articles produced in other States of Australia. Since 1st January, 1912, the Federal Customs Department has classified all goods produced in the Commonwealth simply as "Australian," without distinguishing, as formerly, the particular State where they were produced. (2) Includes cheese.

(*) For 1861 Gross Revenue and Expenditure are shown. Particulars for 1901 and 1911 are for the year ended 30th June following. Transfers to Public Works Fund and Closer Settlement Fund are excluded in 1911 and 1914-15. (*) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following. (*) 1891

30th June following. (4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following. (5) 1891 and 1901 include telephone wire; 1911 is exclusive of mileage of wire erected for railways. (6) 1901 and following Years are for the December quarter.

No. 63.—Area under Fruit Gardens and Orchards, 1906-7 to 1916-17.

Season.	Citrus Fruit.		Other Fruit.		All Fruit.		
	Productive.	Total.	Productive.	Total.	Productive.	Young Trees not Bearing.	Total.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1906-7	15,173	17,755	24,708	28,422	39,881	6,296	46,177
1907-8	16,430	18,517	23,992	28,197	40,422	6,292	46,714
1908-9	16,570	18,610	23,170	27,270	39,740	6,140	45,880
1909-10	17,214	19,858	20,060	25,859	37,274	8,443	45,717
1910-11	17,465	20,108	20,498	27,246	37,963	9,391	47,354
1911-12	17,271	20,423	19,602	27,763	35,873	11,318	48,191
1912-13	17,213	20,573	19,375	28,484	36,588	12,469	49,057
1913-14	16,643	20,443	19,248	30,486	35,891	15,038	50,929
1914-15	16,675	21,912	18,500	31,067	35,175	17,804	52,979
1915-16	17,542	23,259	19,006	32,179	36,548	18,890	55,438
1916-17	17,542	23,848	20,761	34,120	33,303	19,665	57,968

No. 64.—Value of Fruit Production (at Orchard).

Season.	Citrus Fruit.	Other Fruit.	Total.	Average Value per Acre of Productive Trees.
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
1906-7	122,460	230,135	352,595	8 16 10
1907-8	202,460	153,110	355,570	8 16 0
1908-9	129,610	231,370	360,980	9 1 8
1909-10	196,820	233,050	429,870	11 10 8
1910-11	199,300	271,930	471,230	12 8 3
1911-12	289,140	373,800	662,940	17 19 7
1912-13	239,040	305,660	544,700	14 17 9
1913-14	219,820	244,950	464,770	12 19 0
1914-15	257,870	233,130	491,000	13 19 2
1915-16	252,170	243,210	495,380	13 11 1
1916-17	254,120	280,990	535,110	13 17 5

No. 65.—Fruit Gardens and Orchards (excluding Nursery Stocks)—1916-17.

Class of Fruit.	Productive.		Not yet Bearing.		Total Production.
	Area.	Trees.	Area.	Trees.	
	acres.	No.	acres.	No.	bushels.
Oranges	10,475	961,842	4,393	400,416	910 777
Lemons	4,540	416,846	1,003	91,390	413,828
Mandarins	2,487	228,325	881	80,277	230,830
Other citrus	40	3,720	29	2,682	4,400
Total, Citrus Fruit	17,542	1,610,733	6,306	574,765	1,559,835
Cherries <i>Apples</i>	7,005	589,142	4,413	389,175	533 026
Apples <i>Peaches & Nectarines</i>	6,906	580,820	3,575	315,262	559,819
Pears	1,824	153,401	1,626	143,395	152,241
Peaches and Nectarines <i>Cherries</i>	1,448	121,752	1,106	97,480	47,010
Plums and Prunes	1,440	121,129	1,142	127,143	123,874
Apricots	1,065	89,566	723	63,784	80,577
Quinces	372	31,298	148	13,037	40,018
Almonds	94	7,906	112	10,511	8,533
Persimmons	110	9,266	29	2,549	9,359
Figs	51	4,289	83	7,299	5,888
Loquats	76	6,364	27	1,625	9,433
Passion	345	.....	45	.....	*53,767
Other Fruit	25	2,137	40	3,564	1,658
Total, all other Fruit	20,761	1,717,070	13,359	1,174,824	1,625,203
Grand Total	38,303	3,327,903	19,665	1,749,589	3,185,038

* Includes production from vines grown among fruit trees.

NOTE.—Particulars relating to tropical and small fruits (bananas, pines, strawberries, etc.) are not included in the foregoing tables.

No. 66.—Area under, and Production of, Vineyards—1906-7 to 1916-17.

Season.	Area under Vines.				Production.		Value of Production.	
	For Wine.	For Fruit.	Young Vines.	Total.	Wine.	Table Grapes.	Wine.	Grapes, Sultanas, Raisins, &c.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	gallons.	tons.	£	£
1906-7 ...	4,951	2,902	668	8,521	1,140,000	5,470	77,590	76,580
1907-8 ...	4,644	3,106	733	8,483	778,500	2,978*	61,650	43,060
1908-9 ...	4,472	3,124	655	8,251	736,260	3,150*	63,370	50,130
1909-10 ...	4,561	3,090	679	8,330	808,870	4,181*	60,660	61,450
1910-11 ...	4,354	3,164	803	8,321	805,600	3,914*	55,380	56,350
1911-12 ...	4,260	2,967	1,004	8,231	850,210	4,223*	63,760	77,170
1912-13 ...	4,403	3,011	749	8,163	719,100	3,893*	59,920	90,010
1913-14 ...	4,498	2,830	825	8,153	561,100	3,883*	43,250	91,060
1914-15 ...	4,113	2,643	1,229	7,985	549,140	2,667*	43,470	74,800
1915-16 ...	3,501	2,716	1,666	7,883	571,000	2,940*	46,390	98,400
1916-17 ...	3,442	2,734	2,490	8,666	628,950	2,214*	52,410	68,260

* In addition, there were dried fruits—Sultanas, Raisins, &c.—901 cwt. in 1908; 1,435 cwt. in 1909; 1,482 cwt. in 1910; 2,656 cwt. in 1911; 3,839 cwt. in 1912; 4,417 cwt. in 1913; 4,874 cwt. in 1914; 3,843 cwt. in 1915; 7,954 cwt. in 1916; and 6,515 cwt. in 1917.

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